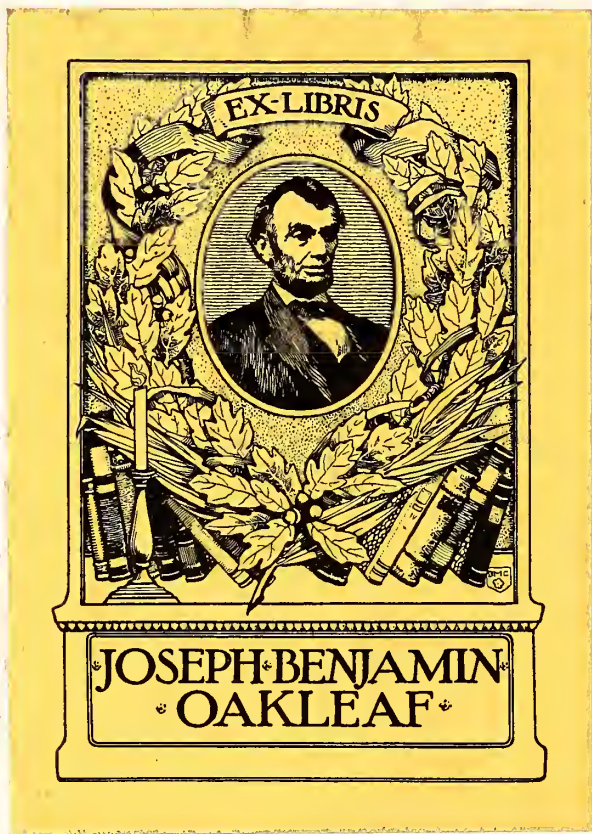
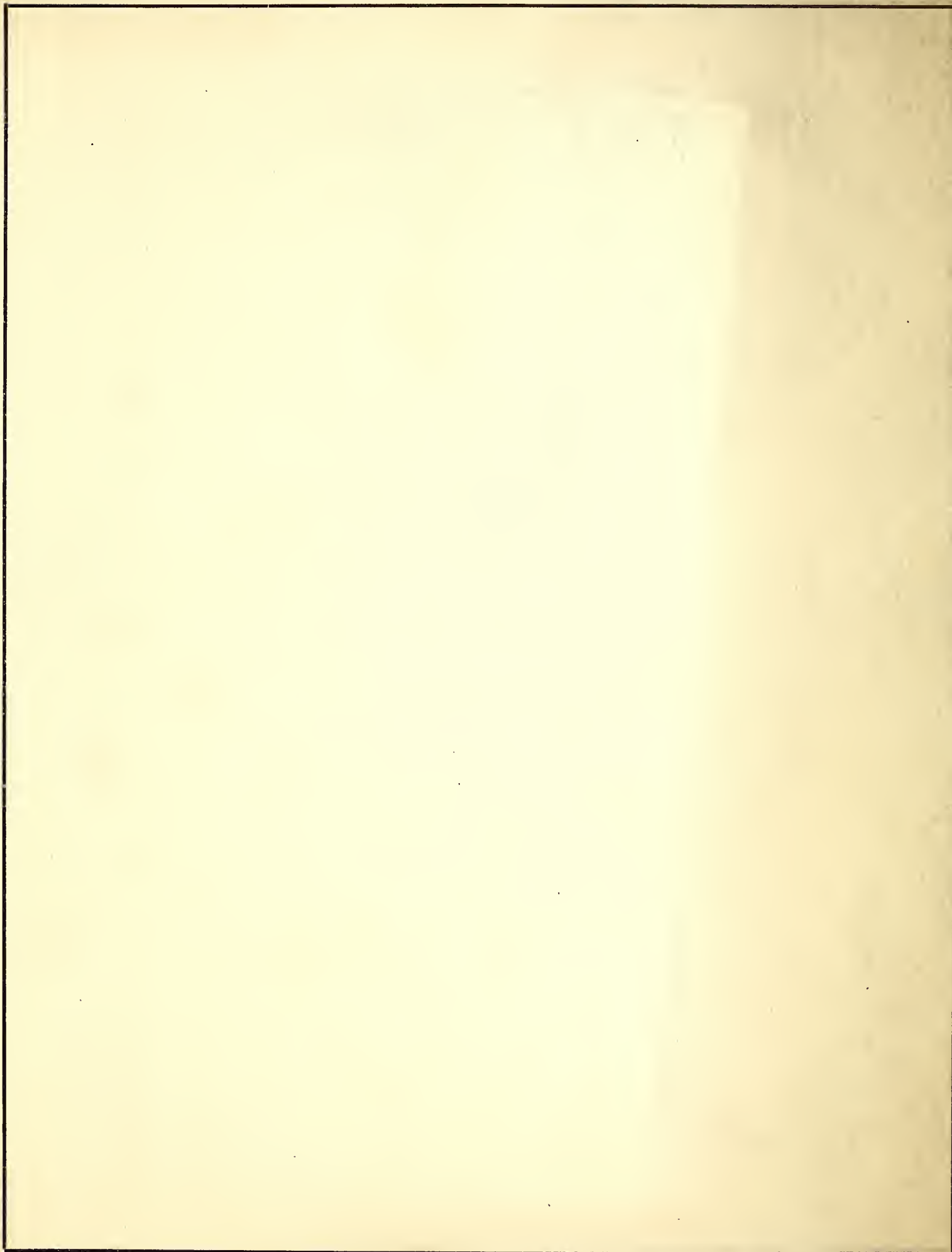
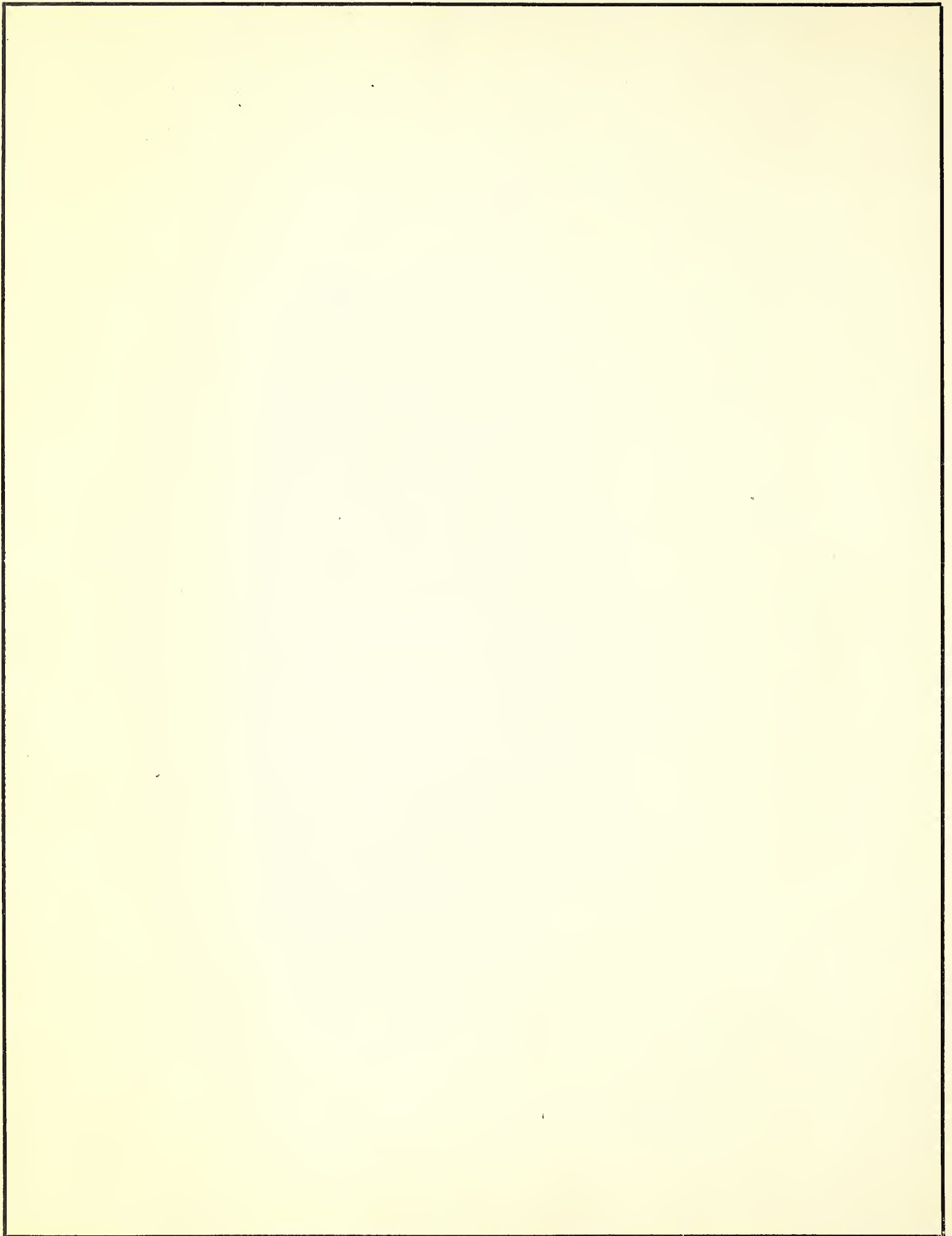


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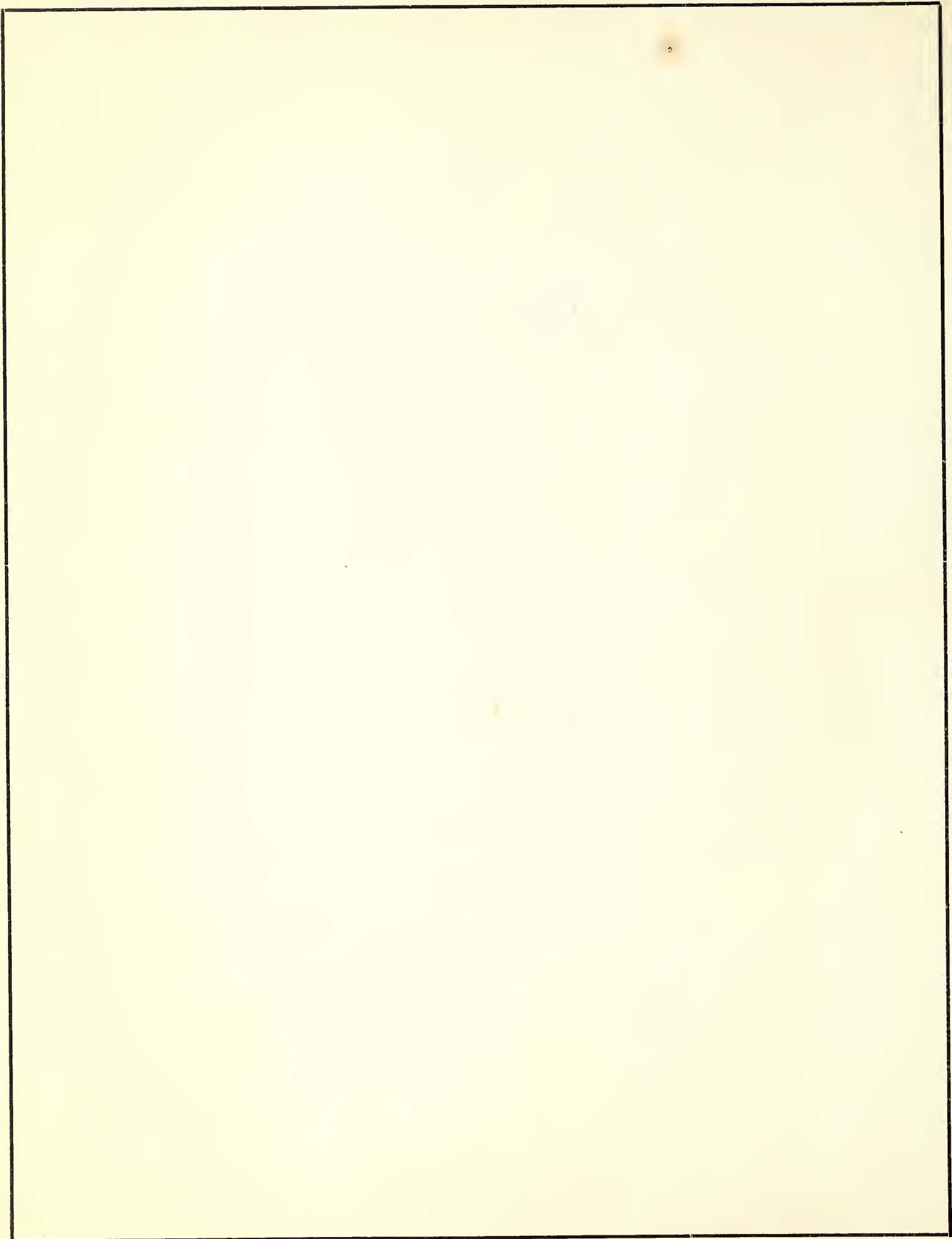




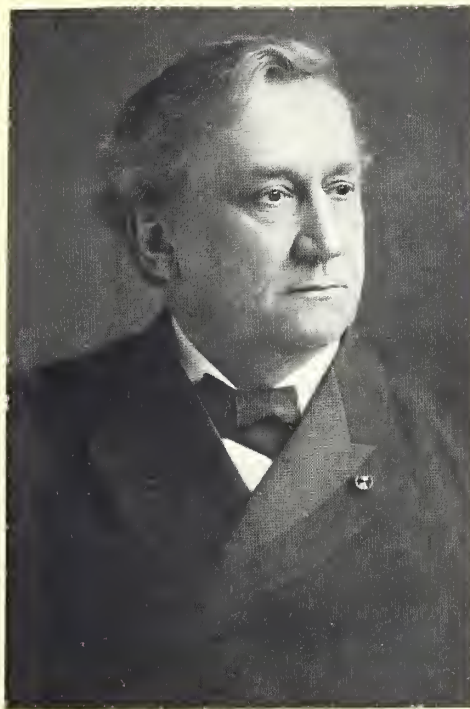
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# In Memoriam



Major William Harrison Lambert

1842—1912

"One who never turned his back but marched breast forward,  
Never doubted clouds would break,  
Never dreamed, though right were worsted, wrong would triumph,  
Held we fall to rise, are baffled to fight better,  
Sleep to wake."





Memorial Service

in the

Second Presbyterian Church

Germantown, Philadelphia

Sunday, June the Sixteenth

at four-fifteen

Nineteen hundred and twelve

## The Order of Service



### Organ Prelude

### The Invocation

The Rev. John Harvey Lee  
Pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church in Germantown

### Hymn

To be sung by the Congregation

For all the saints who from their labors rest,  
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,  
Thy Name, O Jesus, be forever blest.

Alleluia!

Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress, and their Might;  
Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well fought fight;  
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true Light.

Alleluia!

O may Thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,  
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,  
And win with them the victor's crown of gold.

Alleluia!

O blest communion, fellowship Divine;  
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;  
Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine.

Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,  
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,  
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,

Alleluia!

### The Lesson from Scripture

The Rev. Sydney Herbert Cox  
Pastor of the Central Congregational Church, Philadelphia

### Anthem "O Rest in the Lord"

The Choir

### Prayer

The Rev. Robert Ellis Thompson, D.D.  
President of the Central High School, Philadelphia

## Hymn

To be sung by the Congregation

My faith looks up to Thee,  
Thou Lamb of Calvary,  
Saviour Divine:  
Now hear me while I pray,  
Take all my guilt away,  
O let me from this day  
Be wholly thine.

May Thy rich grace impart  
Strength to my fainting heart,  
My zeal inspire;  
As Thou hast died for me,  
O may my love to Thee  
Pure, warm, and changeless be,  
A living fire.

While life's dark maze I tread,  
And griefs around me spread,  
Be Thou my Guide;  
Bid darkness turn to day,  
Wipe sorrow's tears away,  
Nor let me ever stray  
From Thee aside.

When ends life's transient dream,  
When death's cold, sullen stream  
Shall o'er me roll,  
Blest Saviour, then, in love,  
Fear and distrust remove;  
O bear me safe above,  
A ransomed soul.

## Addresses

Major Moses Veale  
Military Order of the Loyal Legion

General Louis Wagner  
President of the Board of City Trusts

Hon. Edwin S. Stuart  
Ex-Governor of the State of Pennsylvania

The Rev. Charles H. Richards, D.D.  
Former Pastor of the Central Congregational Church, Philadelphia

## Hymn

To be sung by the Congregation

Rock of Ages, cleft for me,  
Let me hide myself in Thee;  
Let the water and the blood,  
From Thy riven side which flowed,  
Be of sin the double cure,  
Cleanse me from its guilt and power.

Not the labors of my hands  
Can fulfill Thy law's demands;  
Could my zeal no respite know,  
Could my tears for ever flow,  
All for sin could not atone;  
Thou must save and Thou alone.

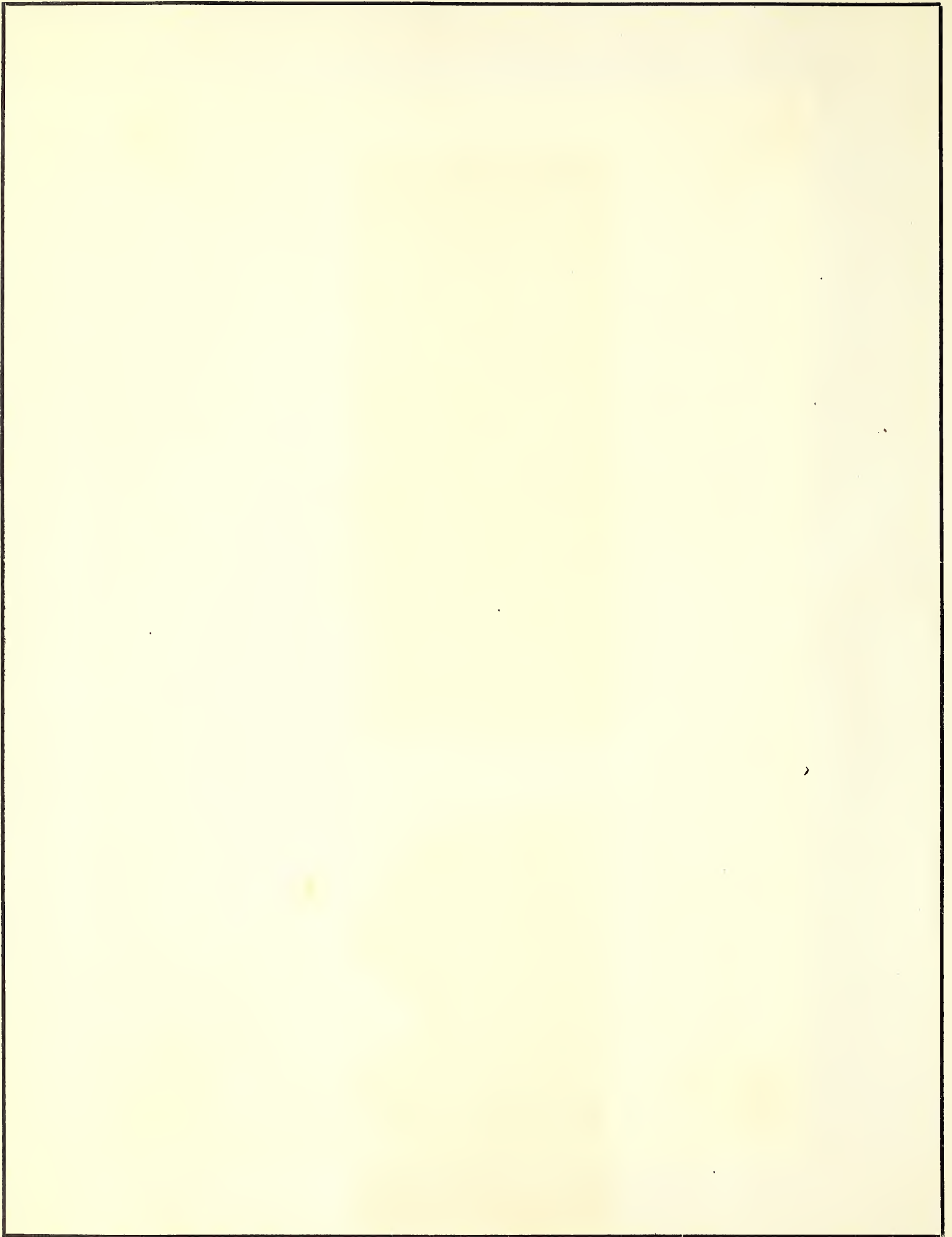
Nothing in my hand I bring  
Simply to Thy cross I cling;  
Naked, come to Thee for dress,  
Helpless, look to Thee for grace;  
Foul, I to the fountain fly;  
Wash me, Saviour, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath,  
When my eyelids close in death,  
When I soar to worlds unknown,  
See Thee on Thy judgment throne,  
Rock of Ages, cleft for me,  
Let me hide myself in Thee.

## The Apostles' Creed

## Benediction





JUNE 1 1912

## MAJ. W. H. LAMBERT CALLED BY DEATH

Union League Member Had Notable Career as Soldier and Business Man

### SUCCUMBS TO PNEUMONIA

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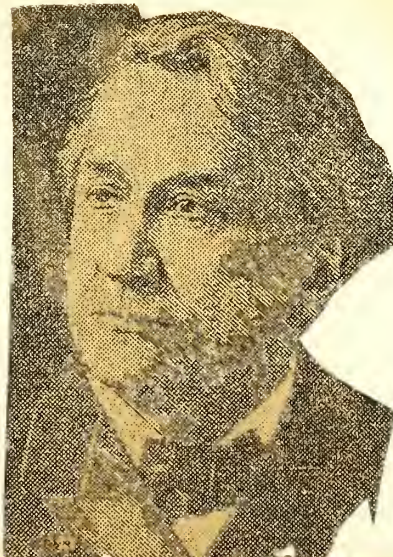
Pneumonia was the cause of death. Early in the week his condition was grave, but later he rallied and Thursday his friends and relatives felt much encouraged.

During Thursday night a change for the worse began, and yesterday it was reported that he was sinking. The decline continued steadily until his death this morning.

He is survived by his widow, who was Miss Herminia Van Haagen, of this city, prior to their marriage, October 15, 1874, by a son, George Thomas Lambert, who lives in the West, and by three married daughters.

Major Lambert had a brilliant war record, and following the war was active in business and social life in this city.

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MAJOR WILLIAM H. LAMBERT  
Who died at his home, 330 W. Johnson st., at 8 o'clock this morning, from pneumonia. He was widely known as a veteran of the Civil War, and in business and social circles.  
(Photograph by Gutekunst.)

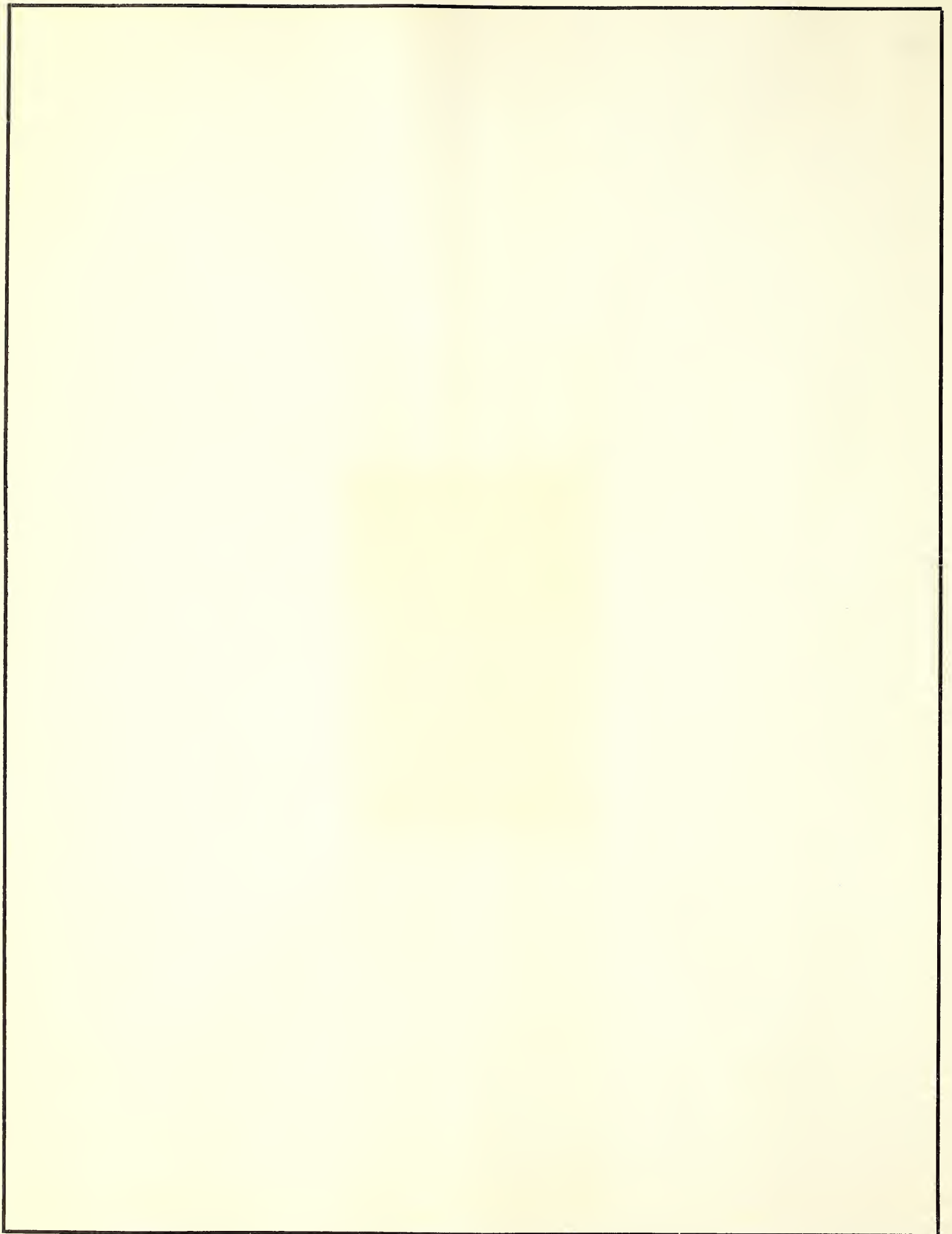




PHILADELPHIA PA BULLETIN

JUNE 1 1912

In the death of Major William H. Lambert, this morning, the city loses a useful citizen in both public and private trusts. No Philadelphian had a greater pride in the honorable achievements of the community; his patriotic instinct was as intelligent as it was strong, and his presence will be missed by many friends who valued his sterling character and shared his honest enthusiasms.



PHILADELPHIA PA ITEM

JUNE 1 1912

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# LINCOLN NOTEBOOK IS SOLD FOR \$2,250

Bought for H. E. Huntington at  
Dispersal of Collection of  
Major Lambert.

SALE TOTAL NOW \$47,192

Manuscript Drafts of Bill Abolish-  
ing Slavery in Delaware Bring \$1,-  
600—Record Prices for Letters.

The sale yesterday at the Anderson Galleries of the Lincoln collection of the late Major William H. Lambert brought a total of \$31,517. Of this amount \$28,206 was obtained at the afternoon session. The total to date is \$47,192.

George D. Smith last evening gave \$775 for a presentation copy of James R. Lowell's "Ode Recited at the Commemoration of the Living and Dead Soldiers of Harvard University, July 21, 1865." Albert Galler paid \$290 for the only copy on gold of Jules E. Roiné's Lincoln Centennial Medal. Mr. Smith obtained for \$450 an early ambrotype by J. H. Brown of Lincoln without a beard, and \$230 for a daguerrotypic portrait of Lincoln, smooth-shaven and in evening clothes.

George D. Smith obtained most of the papers in the afternoon sale, acting, it is said, as agent for Henry E. Huntington.

He paid the highest price of the day, \$2,250, for the notebook in which Lincoln pasted contemporary newspaper accounts of his speeches relating to negro equality, for use by Capt. James N. Brown, one of his political adherents, in the campaign of 1858. The book contains manuscript notes by Lincoln, and a long autograph letter of his. On the inside of the front cover Lincoln has written:

"The following extracts are taken from various speeches of mine delivered at various times and places, and I believe they contain the substance of all I have ever said about negro equality. The first three are from my answer to Judge Douglas, Oct. 16, 1854, at Peoria."

### Record Prices for Letters.

The extraordinary letter which Lincoln wrote on April 1, 1836, to Mrs. Orville H. Browning about the rejection by Miss Mary S. Owens of his proposal of marriage, went to Mr. Smith for \$1,250. This letter was kept by Mrs. Browning for more than a quarter of a century. Then she allowed Ward H. Lamon to copy it, and it was published in his life of Lincoln. This was a new record price for a Lincoln letter, but shortly afterward still another new record price, \$1,375, was made by a two-page quarto letter, dated City Point, April 6, 1865, and addressed to Gen. U. S. Grant. It was written only eight days before Lincoln was shot. It relates to the proposal by the Confederate Assistant Secretary of War, John A. Campbell, to allow the Virginia Legislature to meet in the hope that the Legislature would withdraw the Virginia troops from the Confederate

Army. This important historical letter went to Albert Galler.

Previous to yesterday's sale the record price for a Lincoln letter was \$1,050. This was paid by Andrew J. Bowden for George H. Richmond at the Adam Badeau sale, May 19, 1902, at Anderson's. It was a one-page quarto letter, Washington, April 30, 1864, to Gen. Grant, expressing satisfaction with what he had done and confidence in his future operations. The letter was sold subsequently to Wilfred Buckley of Birmingham, England. Later on Mr. Buckley resold it to George H. Richmond, from whom it was purchased by W. K. Eixby of St. Louis, its present owner.

Twenty-two letters from Lincoln to Lyman Trumbull, covering the period from the organization of the Republican Party in 1856 to the inauguration of Lincoln in 1861, brought a total of \$10,555, or an average of about \$480 each. The highest price of this lot was \$1,100 for a "private and confidential" letter, Dec. 10, 1860, in which Lincoln says:

"Let there be no compromise on the question of extending slavery. If there be, all our labor is lost and ere long must be done over again."

In another of these letters, Dec. 24, 1860, Lincoln says that he can scarcely believe the report that the forts of South Carolina will be surrendered by order of President Buchanan, but, if it be true, he will announce publicly at once that they are to be retaken after his own inauguration. This went to Mr. Smith for \$1,060.

### Other Interesting Letters.

A political letter from Lincoln to his law partner, William H. Herndon, June 22, 1848, brought \$375. C. L. Morgan paid \$350 for a letter from Lincoln to his step-brother, John D. Johnson, Nov. 25, 1851, about their mother. A letter to Owen Lovejoy, Aug. 11, 1855, on the slavery question, went for \$455. A letter to Henry C. Whitney, Dec. 18, 1857, about "Long John" Wentworth, brought \$300. An "especially confidential" letter, June 19, 1860, to Samuel Galloway, went for \$350.

An autograph page from the sum- book of Lincoln, 1824, brought \$360. Lincoln's autograph precept in his first law case sold for \$85. A fragment of one of his speeches on slavery was knocked down for \$330. Another fragment of a speech on equality, two pages quarto, brought \$305. Notes used by Lincoln in a speech at the City Hall, Hartford, Conn., March 5, 1860, realized \$240. An autograph manuscript in Lincoln's hand but unsigned, for use by Lyman Trumbull at the Springfield, Ill., celebration, Nov. 10, 1860, brought \$300.

The original manuscript memorandum by Lincoln for his plan of campaign written in September, 1861, went to the Rosenbach Company of Philadelphia for \$580. Mr. Smith paid \$1,600 for Lincoln's original manuscript drafts of a bill to abolish slavery in Delaware. The original manuscript of Lincoln's address at Baltimore, April 18, 1864, went to the Rosenbach Company for \$925. Charles Sessler of Philadelphia obtained for \$550 one of the law books from Lincoln's library containing his signature in three places.

The sale of Part I. will be ended this afternoon.

# Lambert Lincolniana Sale Totals \$52,409

By STUART ACHESON.

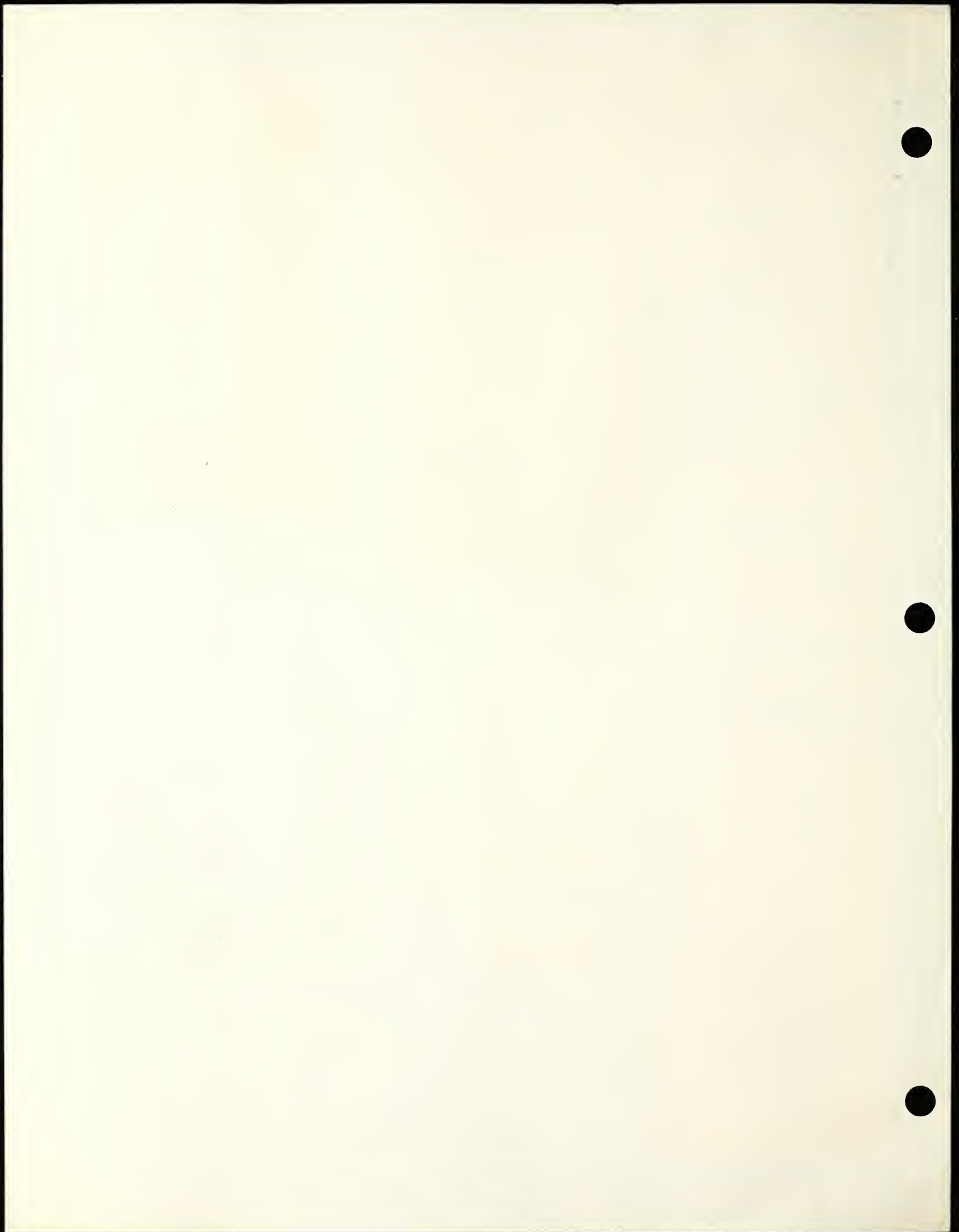
The sale of the collection of Lincolniana, the property of Major William H. Lambert, was completed at the Anderson Galleries yesterday. Buyers gave \$5,279 for the items offered, making the total receipts for the sale \$52,409.

The presentation copy of the reports of the famous Lincoln-Douglas debate, autographed by Lincoln, was bought by Henry Fagan, but it was chiefly the relics of the great Emancipator that made up most of the items. The inkstand that he used for many years at his office in Springfield went to George D. Smith for \$550. Mr. Smith also secured the original autograph copy of Walt Whitman's eulogy of Lincoln delivered in 1879.

The lock of the martyred President's hair that was secured by Dr. Charles F. Taft, one of the attending surgeons when Lincoln was assassinated, was bought yesterday by C. H. Heide for \$230. Lincoln's sleeve buttons sold to Dr. Rosenback for \$150, and R. Collins paid \$180 for the notebook of Dr. Taft, telling of the surgical features of the slain President's case.

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PHILADELPHIA PA STAR

JUNE 1 1912

## PNEUMONIA KILLS MAJOR LAMBERT

War Veteran, Business Man  
and Old Member of the  
Union League is Dead

### AUTHORITY ON LINCOLN

An attack of pneumonia caused the death at 8 o'clock this morning of Major William H. Lambert, member of the Union League, veteran of the Civil War, and for nearly half a century active in the business life of this city, died at his home, 330 West Johnson street, Germantown.

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On July 25, 1863, he became first lieutenant and adjutant of the 3d New Jersey Volunteers, and on January 1, 1864, he was promoted to the rank of captain. His command was in the Army of the Potomac during the first part of the war, and fought against Lee at Antietam, in the first Maryland invasion and later at the battle of Fredericksburg. In 1863, the regiment was transferred to the west where it took part in the battle of Chattanooga.





and later formed part of the army that General Sherman led to the sea.

Upon the close of that campaign, Captain Lambert was attached to the staff of General Wilcox, then in command of the District of Columbia. He was brevetted major, March 13, 1865, and was mustered out July 17, of that year.

It was in the following year that Major Lambert entered the employment of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, the company with which he has been identified for the greater part of the forty-six years since then. He became a partner in the local management of the company in 1872, and general agent in 1887. He was made manager in 1901 and held that office until 1904 when he withdrew. In 1907 he was made a trustee of the company.

Major Lambert was president of the Department of Charities and Correction from 1892 to 1899. He was made a member of the Board of Directors of City Trusts in 1899 and two years ago was elected to the vice-presidency of the board. This seat he held until his death.

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Major Lambert was the author of "Lincoln Literature," "The Faith of Abraham Lincoln," and several other works. He had a noted collection of Lincoln and Thackeray literature and also a valuable collection of Civil War relics.

He was married October 15 1874, to Miss Herminia Van Haagen, of this city.



PHILADELPHIA PA TIMES

JUNE 1 1912

## MAJOR LAMBERT DIES AFTER SHORT ILLNESS

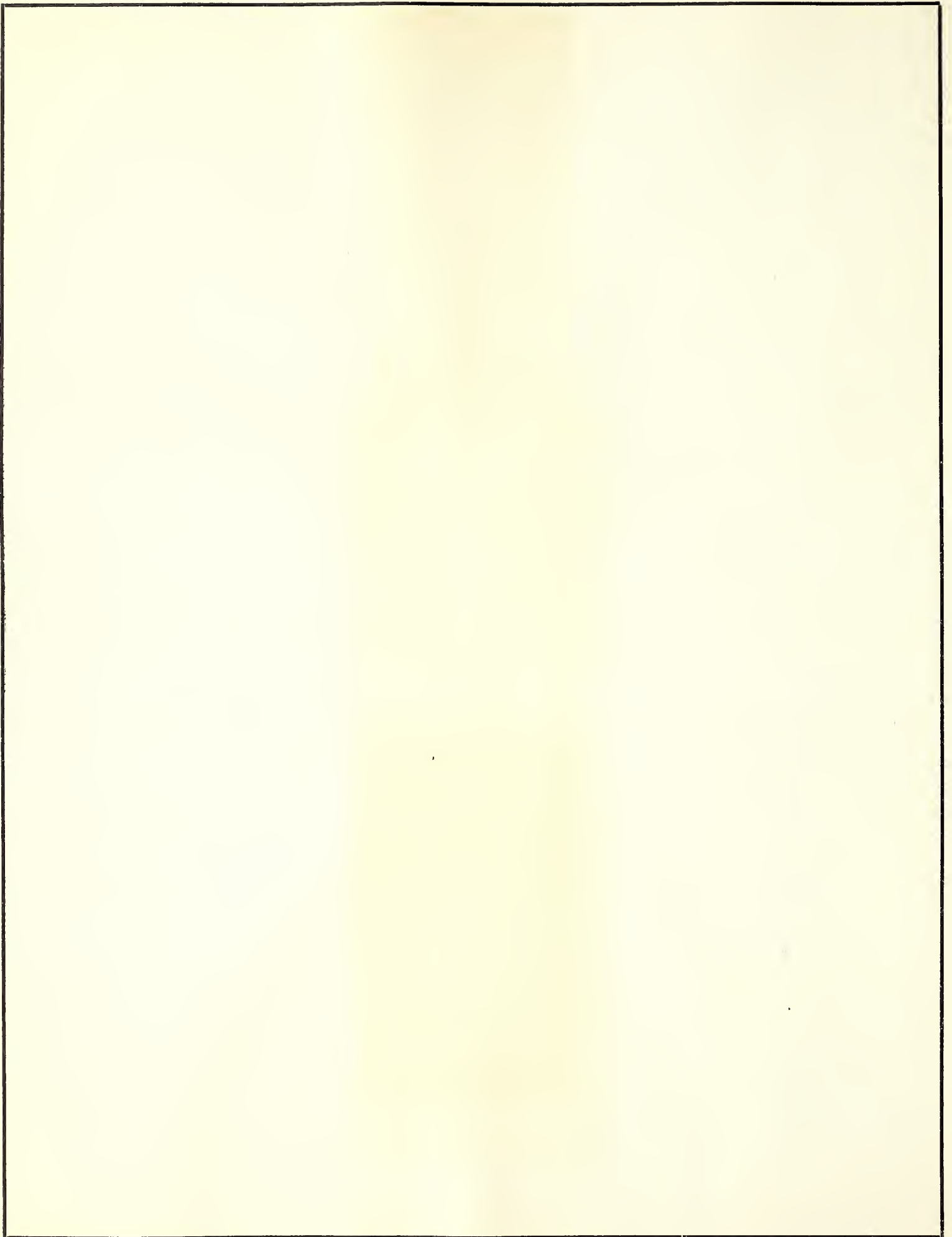
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War Veteran Succumbs to  
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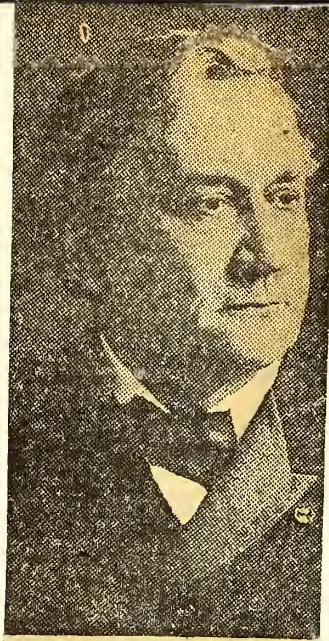
Major William H. Lambert, for nearly half a century active in the business life of this city, a member of the Union League, and a veteran of the civil war, died at his home at 330 West Johnson street, Germantown, at 8 o'clock this morning, following a week-long illness.

Members of the family were present at the deathbed. The major had been ailing for some time with pneumonia, but his illness became acute about a week ago.

He was born in Reading, Pa., on May 9, 1842, and came to this city with his parents as a boy, graduating from the Central High School in 1859. He began the study of law, but dropped this when the civil war started to enlist in Anderson's Fifteenth Pennsylvania cavalry, from which he was mustered out to become first lieutenant and adjutant of the Twenty-seventh New Jersey volunteers. Later he became first lieutenant and adjutant of the Thirty-third New Jersey volunteers and was afterward made captain. He fought against Lee at Antietam and was in many other notable engagements.

At the close of the war Major Lambert became identified with the Mutual Life Insurance Company, of New York, with which corporation he remained nearly forty-six years, gradually rising until he became manager. When he retired in 1907 he was made a trustee. He gained renown as a scholar, and possessed probably the finest collection of books about Lincoln in this city. He was also the owner of a valuable collection of Thackeray's works.





MAJOR WILLIAM H. LAMBERT

PHILADELPHIA PA ITEM

JUNE 2 1912

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PHILADELPHIA PA INQUIRER

JUNE 2 1912

## MAJOR LAMBERT DIES; ILL A WEEK

Pneumonia Proves Fatal to  
Well-Known Veteran of  
the Civil War

Active Figure in Business Life.  
Survived by Widow, Son and  
Daughters

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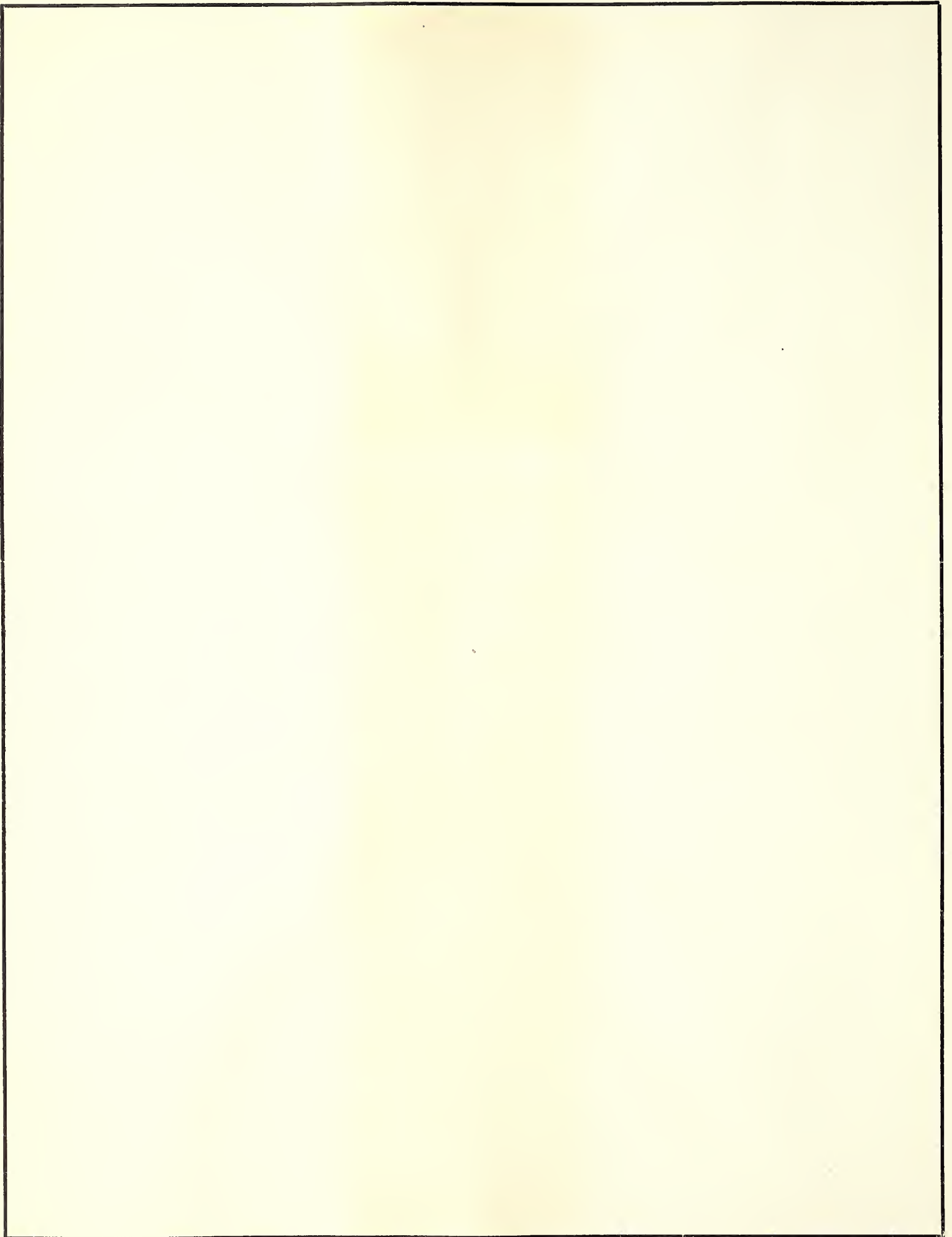
The well-known veteran of the Civil War, who for nearly half a century had been an active figure in the business life of the city, rallied after the attack of the disease, and on Thursday hope for his recovery was entertained by his friends and relatives. A change for the worse set in on that night, however, from which he failed to recuperate.

Major Lambert is survived by his widow, who was Miss Herminia Van Haagen, of this city, before their wedding in October, 1874; a son, George Thomas Lambert, and three married daughters.

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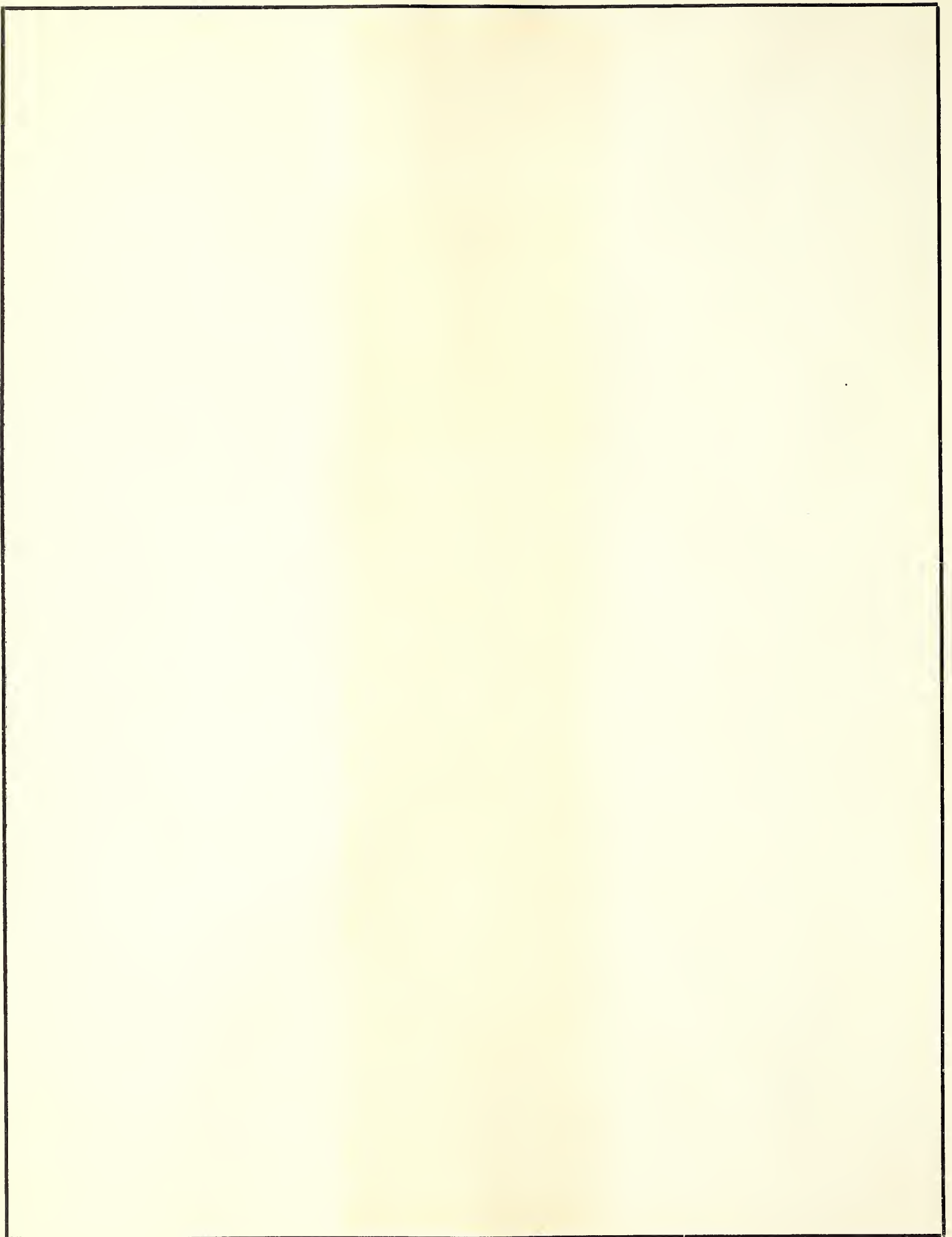
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Major Lambert was the author of "Lincoln Literature," "The Faith of Abraham Lincoln," and several other works. He had a noted collection of Lincoln and Thackeray literature, and also a valuable collection of Civil War relics.



JUNE 2 1912

## MAJOR LAMBERT DEAD; FORMER INSURANCE MAN

Civil War Veteran, Author and  
Student, Is Victim of  
Pneumonia

BUSINESS EXECUTIVE

Retired Eight Years Ago as Man-  
ager of New York Mu-  
tual Life

After an illness of more than a week,  
Major William H. Lambert, a veteran of  
the civil war and a well-known insurance



Gutekunst Photo.

MAJOR W. H. LAMBERT the family be-  
lieved he was on the road to recovery.

Major Lambert, who had been identified  
with the business and social life of Phila-  
delphia for upward of fifty years, had a  
brilliant war record. He enlisted as a  
private in the Fifteenth Pennsylvania  
cavalry, later being mustered out of that  
command, that he might accept a com-  
mission as first lieutenant in the Twenty-  
fifth New Jersey volunteers. He rose  
steadily during the war, and was com-  
missioned a major, receiving a congress-  
sional medal for gallantry.

At the close of the war Major Lam-  
bert entered the service of the Mutual  
Life Insurance Company, of New York,  
later becoming general agent for Penn-  
sylvania and then general manager of  
the company's interests in this state. He  
retired from active business, a million-  
aire, in 1904.

He was vice president of the board of  
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of curios of the civil war.

Major Lambert possessed a rare collection of books and was devoted to reading and study. He was an ardent admirer of Thackeray and Lincoln, having in his library valuable collections of the works and mementos of both. His Thackeray library suffered in a fire two years ago, a number of valuable volumes having been destroyed.

For many years Major Lambert was a member of the Union League. He was a director from 1901 until 1904 and served as secretary of the league. He was a member of Pennsylvania Commandery of the Loyal Legion; G. A. R. Post 2 and the Historical Society of Pennsylvania. Besides the Union League, he was a member of the following social organizations: the Art Club, the Penn Club, the United Service Club and the Germantown Cricket Club.

PHILADELPHIA PA PRESS

JUNE 2 1912

## MAJOR LAMBERT DIES OF PNEUMONIA

Civil War Veteran Long Prominently Identified with Affairs of the City.

Major William H. Lambert, a veteran of the Civil War, died at his home, 336 West Johnson Street, Germantown, at eight o'clock yesterday morning. Death was due to pneumonia. Major Lambert had been ill several weeks. He was seventy years old on the 9th of May.

Major Lambert was a member of the Union League and for nearly half a century was a part of the active business life of the city. He had a brilliant war record. Until Thursday night his family and physicians supposed that he had a chance of recovery, but then a relapse occurred which so weakened him that he was unable to rally.

He was born in Reading, Pa. In 1859 he was graduated from the Central High School and was valedictorian of his class. He then began the study of law, but at the outbreak of the Civil War he gave up the profession and enlisted in Anderson's Fifteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry on August 22, 1862. He was mustered out of the command later that year, so that he might accept a commission as first lieutenant and adjutant of the Twenty-seventh New Jersey Volunteers. The commission dated from November 27, 1862. On July 25, 1863, he became first lieutenant and adjutant of the Thirty-third New Jersey Volunteers, and on January 1, 1864, was promoted to the rank of captain.

### Fought Against Lee.

At the beginning of the war his command was in the Army of the Potomac and he also fought against Lee at Antietam in the first Maryland invasion, and later in the battle of Fredricksburg.



In 1863 the regiment was transferred to the West, where he took part in the battle of Chattanooga. This regiment subsequently formed part of the army under General Sherman that took the famous march to the sea.

Major Lambert, at the close of the campaign, was attached to the staff of General Willcox, then in command of the District of Columbia. On March 13, 1865, he was breveted major, and was mustered out on July 17 of that year, after receiving a Congressional medal for gallantry.

In 1866 Major Lambert entered the employ of the Mutual Life Insurance Company, of New York, with which he was identified for the greater part of the forty-six years since. In 1872 he became a partner in the local management, and in 1887 general agent. He was promoted to manager in 1901, and held that office until 1904, when he withdrew. In 1907 he was appointed a trustee of the company.

#### Active in Charity Work.

In addition to his activities in the insurance business Major Lambert was president of the Department of Charities and Correction from 1892 to 1899. He was appointed a member of the Board of Directors of City Trusts in 1899, and two years ago was elected to the vice-presidency of the board. This seat he held until his death. He was also a director of the Philadelphia Trust, Safe Deposit and Insurance Company, a director of the Girard Water Company and vice-president and manager of the Saving Fund Society of Germantown.

Major Lambert was a director of the Union League from 1901 until 1904. In 1903 and 1904 he was also secretary of that organization. He was connected with the following organizations: Pennsylvania Commandery of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion, Post 2, G. A. R., and the Historical Society of Pennsylvania. He maintained an office in the Mutual Life Building, Tenth and Chestnut Streets.

Major Lambert obtained wide fame as a scholar, literateur and writer. His collection of Lincoln and Thackeray literature is among the finest in the country. Part of the latter, however, was destroyed by fire some years ago. He was the author of "Lincoln Literature" and the "Faith of Abraham Lincoln."





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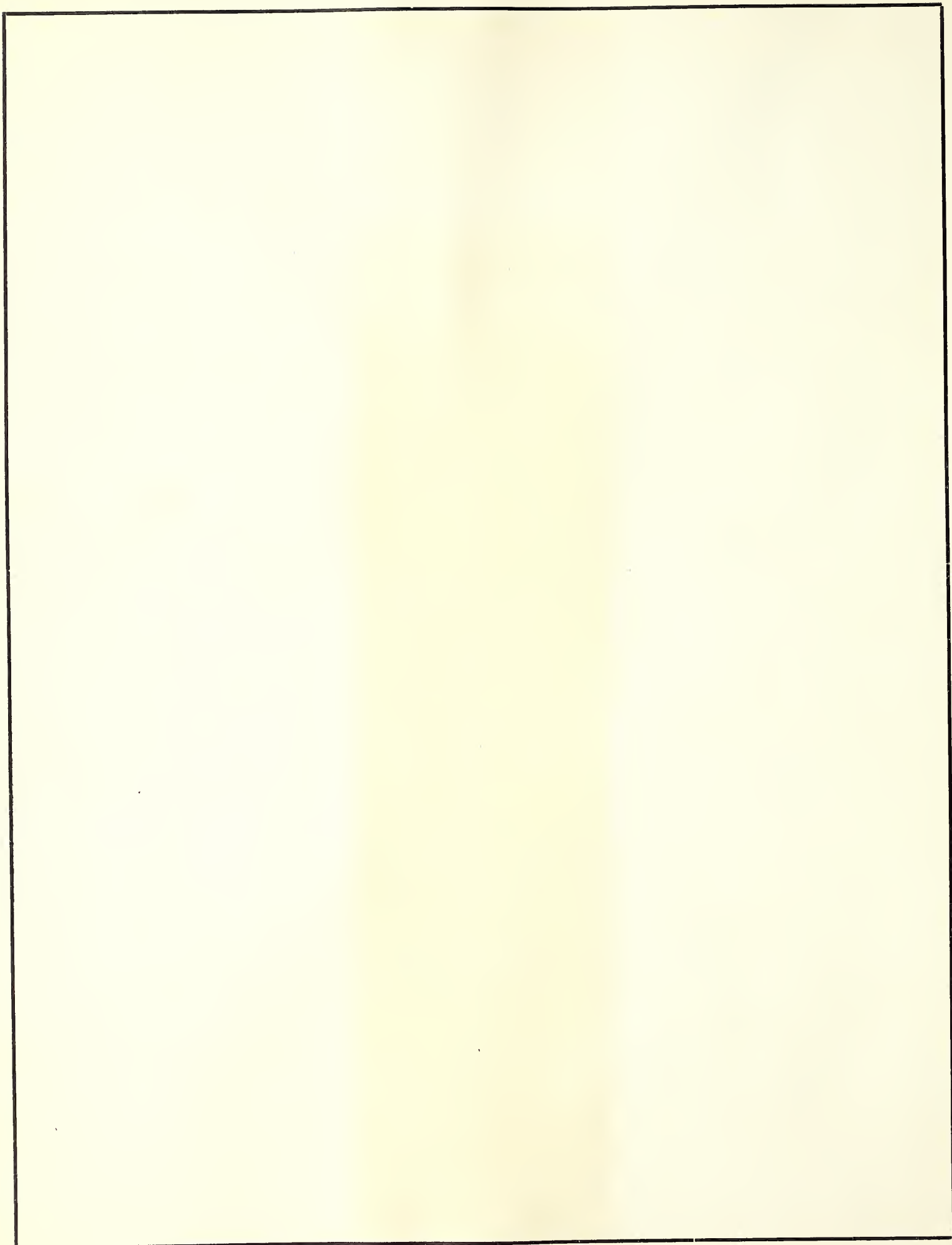
JUNE 2 1912

MAJOR WILLIAM H. LAMBERT.

Major William H. Lambert, soldier, philanthropist, lawyer, business man and collector, whose death was announced yesterday, rounded and filled a wide scope of citizenship. He was trained as a lawyer and at the opening of the Civil War possessed the relations in life which most would have felt entitled to him to begin with a commission. Instead he preferred to enlist as a private and rose step by step, often by promotion on the field, to the rank of major and on the close of the war he was in a staff position, which gave him wide administrative experience. He returned to find it was late to begin the practice of law and he entered the field of life insurance when it was still new, its traditions to be created, its methods to be developed and its work to be saved from the mere soliciting of risks to a comprehensive plan for bringing before the insurable of a community the benefits of insurance. For nearly forty years he was active in this work, built up without ostentation and without clamor. The business of his agency steadily grew under his hands until he left it, on retiring, one of the largest in the country.

During this wide work he found time to be active first in private and later in public philanthropy improving materially each institution in whose management he shared. He early turned to the work of a collector and devoted himself to two great subjects, the life of Abraham Lincoln and the work of Thackeray. Patiently, through years without heedless expenditure, with tact and with early prescient knowledge of what in time would become valuable, he collected an array of objects, pictures, mementoes and works relating to both of these men, such as was equaled by only two or three private collectors, and before part of his Lincoln material was destroyed by fire, excelled by no public collection in the world.

These broad, vigorous, intellectual and beneficial activities made Major Lambert in his closing years a man serene, trusted, valued, loved and in all the relations of life disappointing none and constantly surpassing the expectation of those who sought him.



JUNE 2 1912

**MAJOR W. H. LAMBERT  
WAR VETERAN, DEAD**

**Insurance Man and Union  
League Member Succumbs  
to Pneumonia Attack.**

**KNOWN IN FINANCE CIRCLES**

Major William H. Lambert, war veteran, former city official and a widely known collector of manuscripts, the value of which is untold, died at his home, 33<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> West Johnson street, Germantown, yesterday. He was 70 years old.

For years he held a unique position among learned men in this city. He had a wide acquaintance not only among those in art and literary circles, but numbered in his circle of friends statesmen, scientists and others in public life.

Major Lambert was born in Reading, Pa., May 19, 1842. He was educated in the public schools of this city and was graduated from the Philadelphia High School in 1859 as the valedictorian of his class.

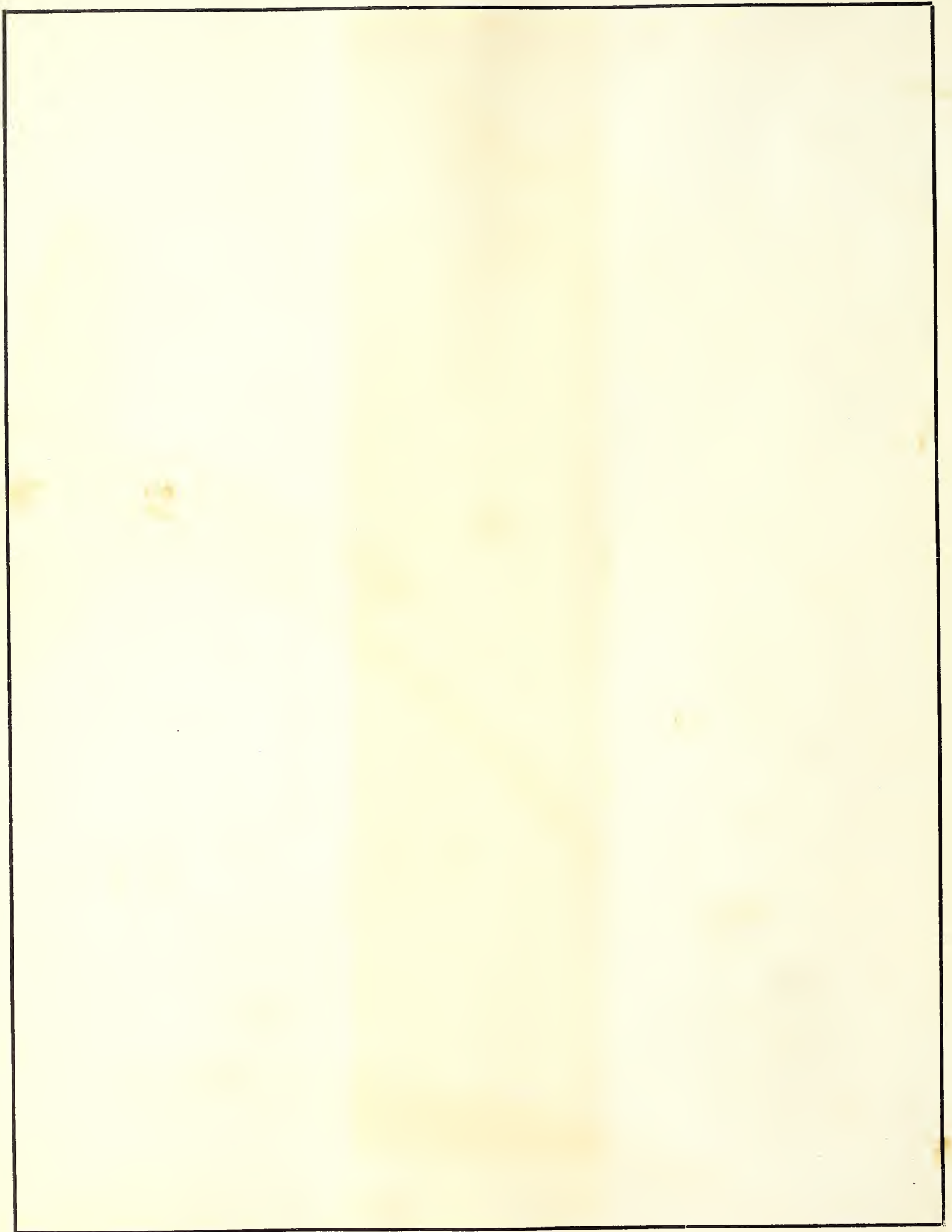
He took up the study of law, but when the Civil War broke out he left his desk and his books, and went to the front. He enlisted in the 15th Regiment, Pennsylvania Cavalry, and served in the Pennsylvania and Maryland campaigns that involved the battles in Lee's invasion. He participated in the battles of Antietam and those occurring around that period of the war, and afterwards accompanied his regiment to Louisville, Ky.

On November 24, 1862, he was appointed first lieutenant, and on January 16, 1864, was commissioned captain of his company, each promotion being made because of bravery in battle and the meritorious performance of duty in danger. In May of the same year further honors came to him because of his record, for he was appointed aide-de-camp on the staff of Brigadier General John W. Geary. On March 13, 1865, he was brevetted major, the order for his promotion reading: "For gallant and meritorious conduct during the war."

**COLLECTOR OF LINCOLNIANA.**

Upon his return from the war Major Lambert took an active interest in public affairs and was a frequent contributor to the current literature of the day on leading events. He was an ardent admirer of Lincoln, whom he had personally known, and became an eager collector of letters and other material associated with the great Emancipator. No man in the country obtained a closer view of the life, deeds and thoughts of the war President.

Major Lambert also specialized as a collector of Thackerayana, and this gave him a reputation on two continents, as he possessed a collection of Thackeray manuscripts and other material admitted to be unsurpassed, gathered after much travel and infinite search.



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His Lincoln collection was virtually complete, for it is believed to contain every life of the Emancipator published, and in addition contains an extensive collection of portraits of the Civil War President. The gem of the collection, however, is the book in which Lincoln as a young lawyer kept an account of his fees. This was one of the Lincoln items which did not fall victim to the flames which made such havoc in Major Lambert's library in the summer of 1906.

The fire destroyed the desk and the chair that formerly were in Lincoln's office in Springfield, and many of the books that had been owned by Lincoln, but enough remained to make the collection still the finest of its kind in existence.

#### GREAT THACKERAY COLLECTION.

In monetary value, however, it is believed that the Thackeray collection was the greater, and while no estimate of it can very well be made, it is generally believed that it would bring a great deal in excess of \$250,000, if it came into the market. Not only does this collection contain every publication that Thackeray was connected with, including the rare files of the newspaper which the novelist for a time published, but it contains virtually all the manuscripts of the great novelist that exist. The fame of the Thackeray collection is known throughout the English reading world, and all the later writers on Thackeray and his works have been compelled to resort to the Lambert collection for much valuable material.

The Thackeray letters are innumerable and many of them unpublished; there are fragments of several of the longer novels, and complete manuscripts of several of the shorter pieces and the Christmas books. In addition there are many original drawings by the author of "Vanity Fair."

The fire which burned a part of Major Lambert's library consumed some of the Thackerayana, but while the portrait by Eyre Crow was destroyed, and one or two other relics, the manuscripts and the first editions were saved.

As a lecturer Major Lambert won a reputation that brought engagements from many cities and made his name familiar in many States. His favorite themes related to the Civil War and the meaning of the great struggle. It was in these lecture tours that he found much that afterwards reached his collection of Lincolniana. Everywhere he met men who had been associated with the war President, and it was the stories related of the great Commoner by those who knew him best that not only stimulated the desire to collect material, but to write what is considered Major Lambert's best literary work, "The Faith of Lincoln."

From Major Lambert was gathered very much of the material that entered into the Lincoln literature of the period. Historians and others from a great distance came to see the collection and delve into the facts that were there contained.

#### KNOWN IN FINANCIAL CIRCLES.

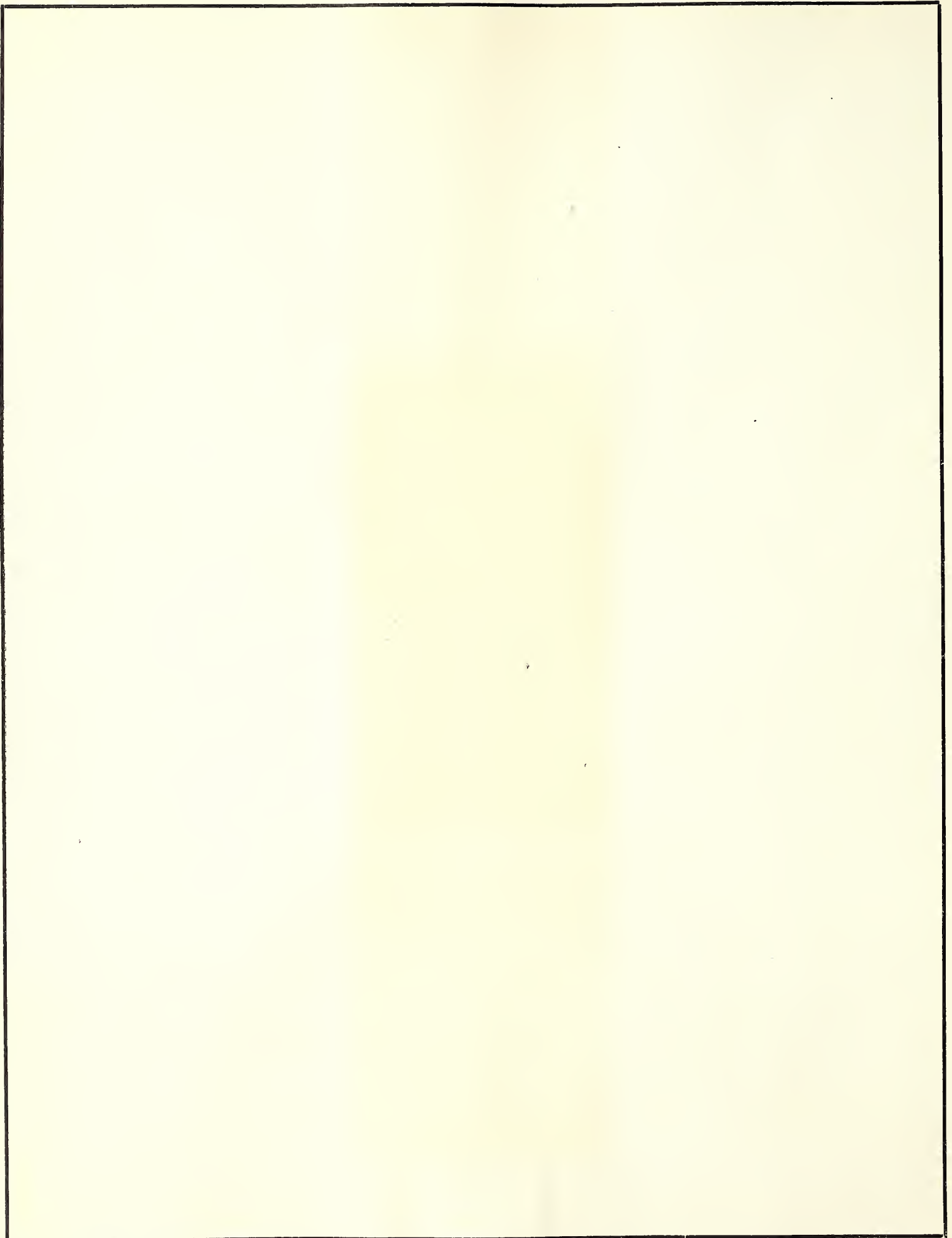
Major Lambert, while he spent much time among his rare manuscripts of the Emancipator and the great English author, was far from being a literary recluse. He was fond of the society of men and was a familiar figure in the Union League, of which he was a member, and in financial circles. He was a director of the Philadelphia Trust, Safe Deposit and Insurance Company; a director of the Girard Company and vice president and manager of the Savings Trust Society of Germantown.

In 1892 he was appointed a member of the Board of Public Charities and rendered efficient service, not only as an official, but because of his interest in the people to whom the board ministered.

His association with the Union League dates back many years. He was a director from 1901 to 1904 and also held the position of secretary. He was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, Pennsylvania Commandery of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion and the Pennsylvania Historical Society.

He was genial in manner, courteous at all times in his treatment of those with whom he came in contact and won many friends by his manner and because of the great fund of information he possessed.

Very much interest attaches to the probable disposition of the great collections in the Lambert library. It is not known, however, whether these will be devised to relatives or to some public institution.



PHILADELPHIA PA BULLETIN

JUNE 4 1912

**MAJOR LAMBERT BURIED**

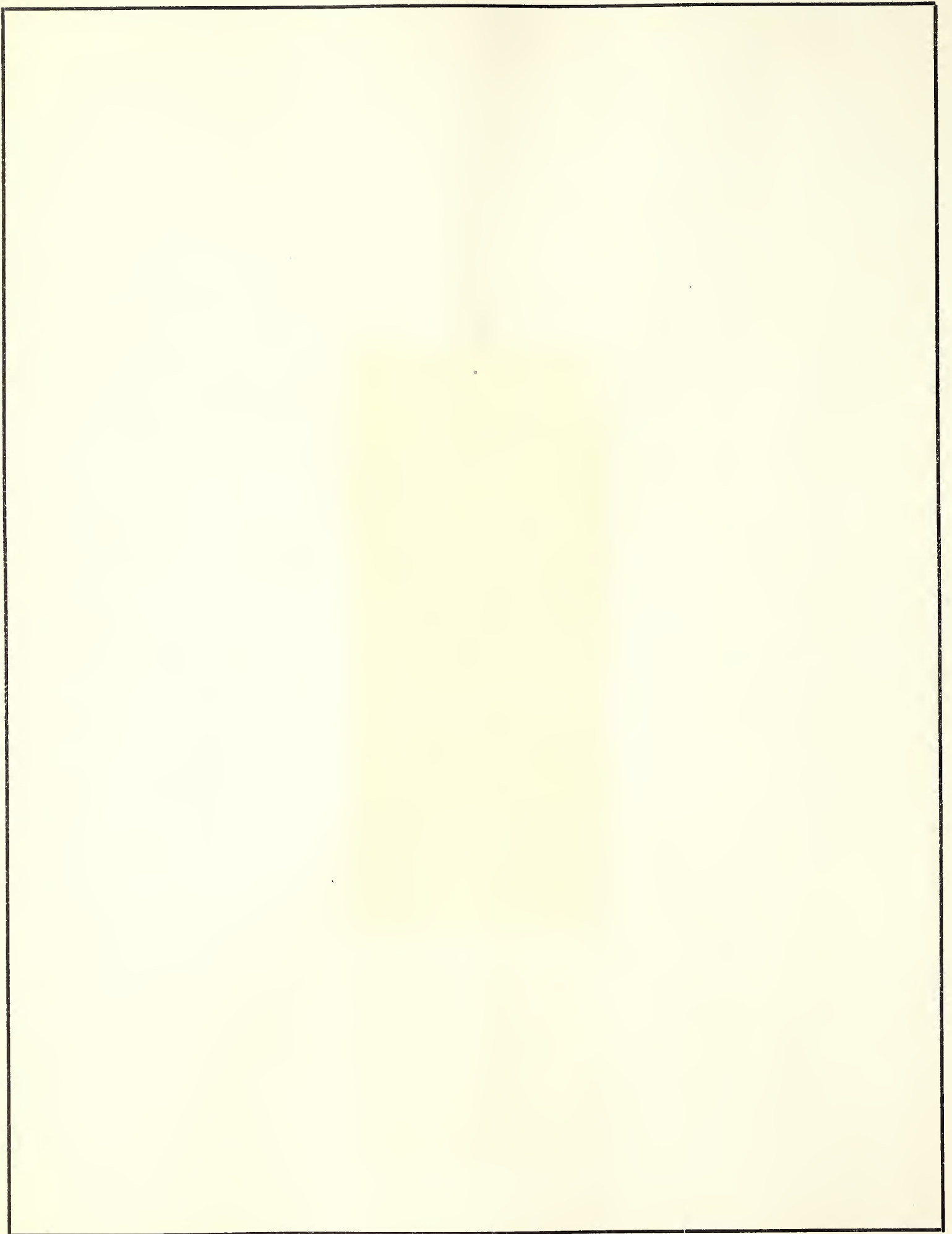
Former Governors, Stuart and Pennypacker, Among Those at Services for Civil War Veteran

The funeral of Major William H. Lambert, Civil War veteran, who died Friday, was held at 10.30 o'clock this morning from his home at 330 W. Johnston st., Germantown.

The Rev. John Henry Lee, pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church, Germantown, officiated, and interment was made in West Laurel Hill Cemetery.

The honorary pall-bearers were former Governor Stuart, John T. Nicholson, William Potter, John Story Jenks, General Louis Wagner, John D. McIlhenny, Richard Dale Sparhawk and Samuel Y. Heebner.

Many prominent business men as well as Grand Army veterans attended the funeral. Among them were William Blackman, George P. Morgan, John H. Hamer, H. S. Paul, Joseph V. Staake, E. D. Landell, Marcus Katz, Theodore H. McCalla, John C. Brown, Dr. G. B. Keen, William B. Kinsey, Eli D. Edmonds, Samuel Bell, J. M. Doerr, Charles Porter, William T. Tilden, Dimmer Beeber, W. H. Wanamaker, C. E. Morgan, L. F. Fortesque, General James Stewart, Jr., Major H. W. Littlefield, Dr. J. W. Jordan, John B. Lober, Frank C. Gillingham, T. Potts, William H. Carpenter, the Rev. Dr. Munhall, Eliston F. Morris, Frank B. Potter, James H. Windrim, Cheeseman A. Herrick, former Governor Samuel Pennypacker, Cyrus Borgner and Dr. Robert Ellis Thomason.





PHILADELPHIA PA TELEGRAPH

JUNE 4 1912

CLUBS AND ORDERS IN LAST  
TRIBUTE TO MAJOR LAMBERT

Funeral This Morning Attended by  
Representatives from Many  
Organizations.

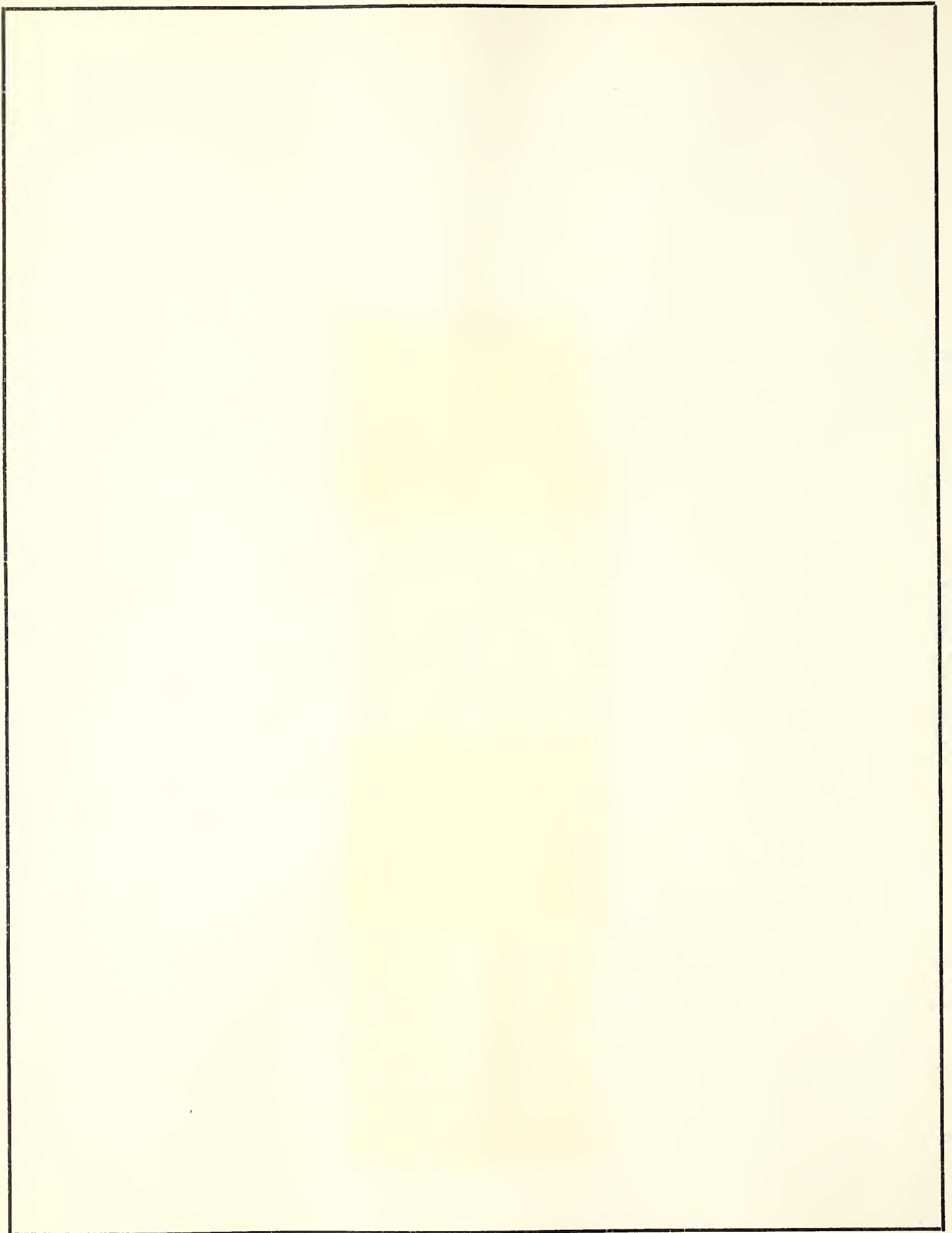
Attended by representatives from the various clubs and military orders of which he was a member, funeral services for Major William H. Lambert, who died on Saturday of pneumonia, were held this morning at 10.30 o'clock at his home, No. 330 West Johnson street, Germantown.

Many floral tributes were sent, and among the conspicuous delegations was that representing the military order of the Loyal Legion of the United States, of which Major Lambert was a member. Interment was private.

The funeral services were attended by members of the Union League, the Art Club, the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, the Penn Club, the United Service Club, the Germantown Cricket Club and the Grand Army of the Republic.

Among the widely known persons who attended the funeral were the following: Former Judge Dimmer Beeber, James Mapes Dodge, Charles Porter, William Blake, P. E. Morgan, L. R. Fortescue, General James Stewart, Jr., James H. Windrim, Major H. W. Littlefield, J. S. Brenneman, H. A. Buzby, Charles Blakeman, Captain George P. Morgan, John Hamer, H. S. Paul, Judge William H. Staake, E. A. Landell, Marcus Katz, Theodore H. McCalla, John C. Brown, Dr. G. B. Keese, Elliston P. Morris, Frank B. Potter, W. B. Kinsey, Eli D. Edmunds, Leo McCall, former Governor Samuel W. Pennypacker, Robert Ellis Thompson, H. W. Passmore, Cheesman A. Herrick, Cyrus Borgner, Dr. Munhall, W. H. Carpenter, Howard T. Potts, Dr. J. W. Jordan, John B. Lowber and Frank C. Gillingham.

The services at the house were conducted by Rev. John Harvey Lee, pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church, of Germantown. The honorary pall-bearers were former Governor Edwin S. Stuart, John P. Nicholson, William Potter, former Minister to Italy, John Story Jenks, General Louis Wagner, John McIlhenny, Richard Dale Sparhawk and Samuel Y. Heebner. Interment was made at West Laurel Hill Cemetery.



PHILADELPHIA PA PRESS

JUNE 5 1912

**FUNERAL OF MAJOR LAMBERT**

Funeral services over the body of Major William H. Lambert, soldier, scholar, author and business man, were held yesterday morning from his home on West Johnson Street, Germantown. Major Lambert died last Friday after an illness of several weeks.

Rev. John Henry Lee, pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church, Germantown, officiated. Interment was in West Laurel Hill Cemetery. The honorary pall-bearers were former Governor Stuart, John T. Nicholson, William Potter, John Story Jenks, General Louis Wagner, John D. McIlhenny, Richard Dale Sparhawk and Samuel Y. Heebner.

PHILADELPHIA PA PUB LEDGER

JUNE 5 1912

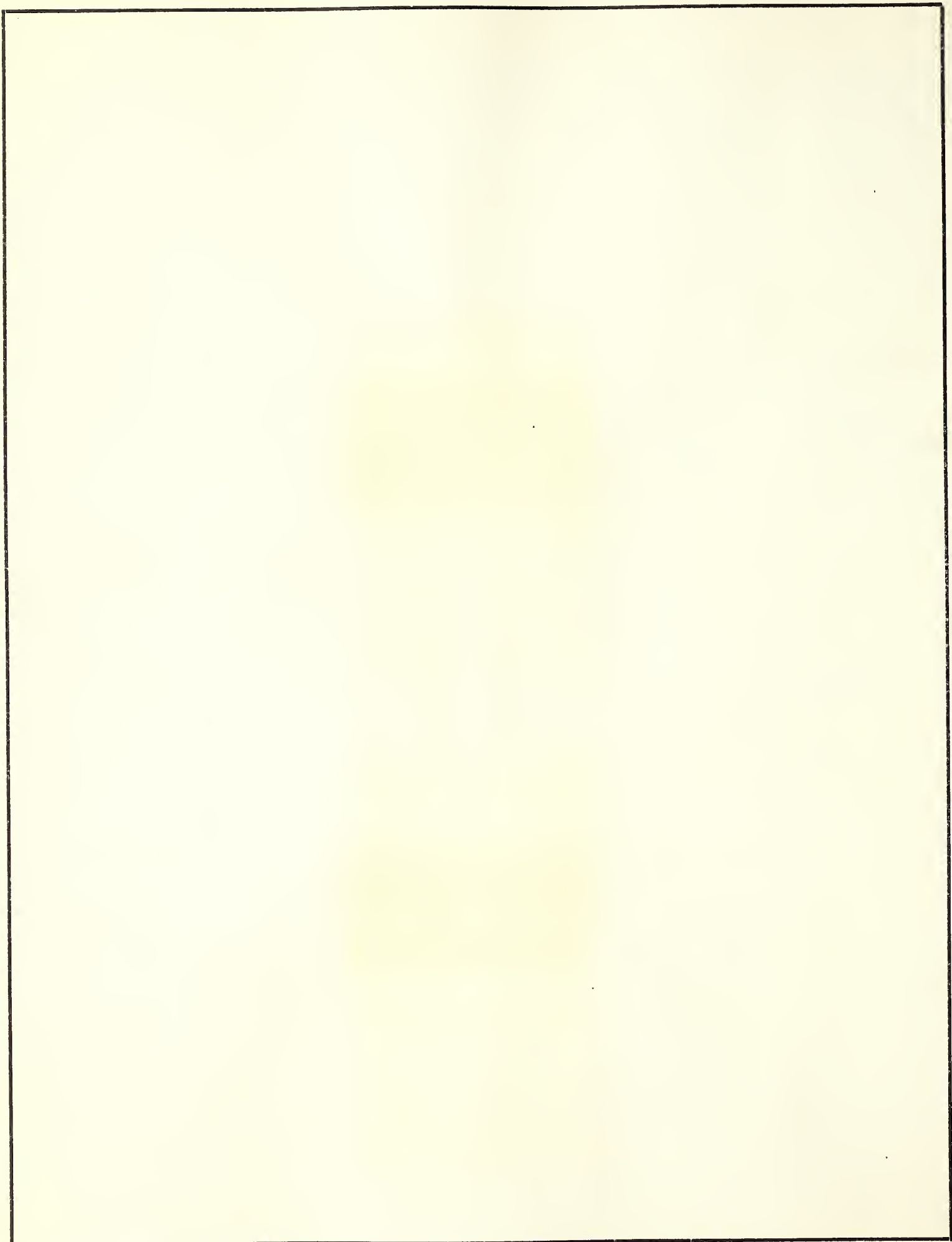
**MAJOR W. H. LAMBERT BURIED**

**Prominent Men Pallbearers at Funeral of War Veteran.**

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The honorary pallbearers were former Governor Stuart, John T. Nicholson, William Potter, John Story Jenks, General Louis Wagner, John D. McIlhenny, Richard Dale Sparhawk and Samuel Y. Heebner.

Among the many prominent persons and Grand Army men who attended the funeral were William Blackman, George P. Morgan, John H. Hamer, H. S. Paul, Joseph V. Staake, E. D. Landis, Marcus Katz, Theodore H. McCalla, John C. Brown, J. G. B. Keen, William B. Kinsey, Eli L. Edmonds, Samuel Bell, J. M. Doerr, Charles Porter, William T. Tilden, Dimmer Heber, W. H. Wanamaker, C. E. Morgan, L. R. Portesque, General James Stewart, Jr., Major H. Littlefield, Dr. J. C. Jordan, John B. Lober, Frank C. Gilkham, H. T. Potts, William H. Carpenter, the Rev. Dr. Munhall, Elston P. Morris, Frank B. Potter, James H. Windham, Cheeseman A. Herrick, former Governor Samuel W. Pennypacker, Cyrus Boganer and Dr. Robert Ellis Thompson.



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JUNE 12 1912

Service in Major Lambert's Memory

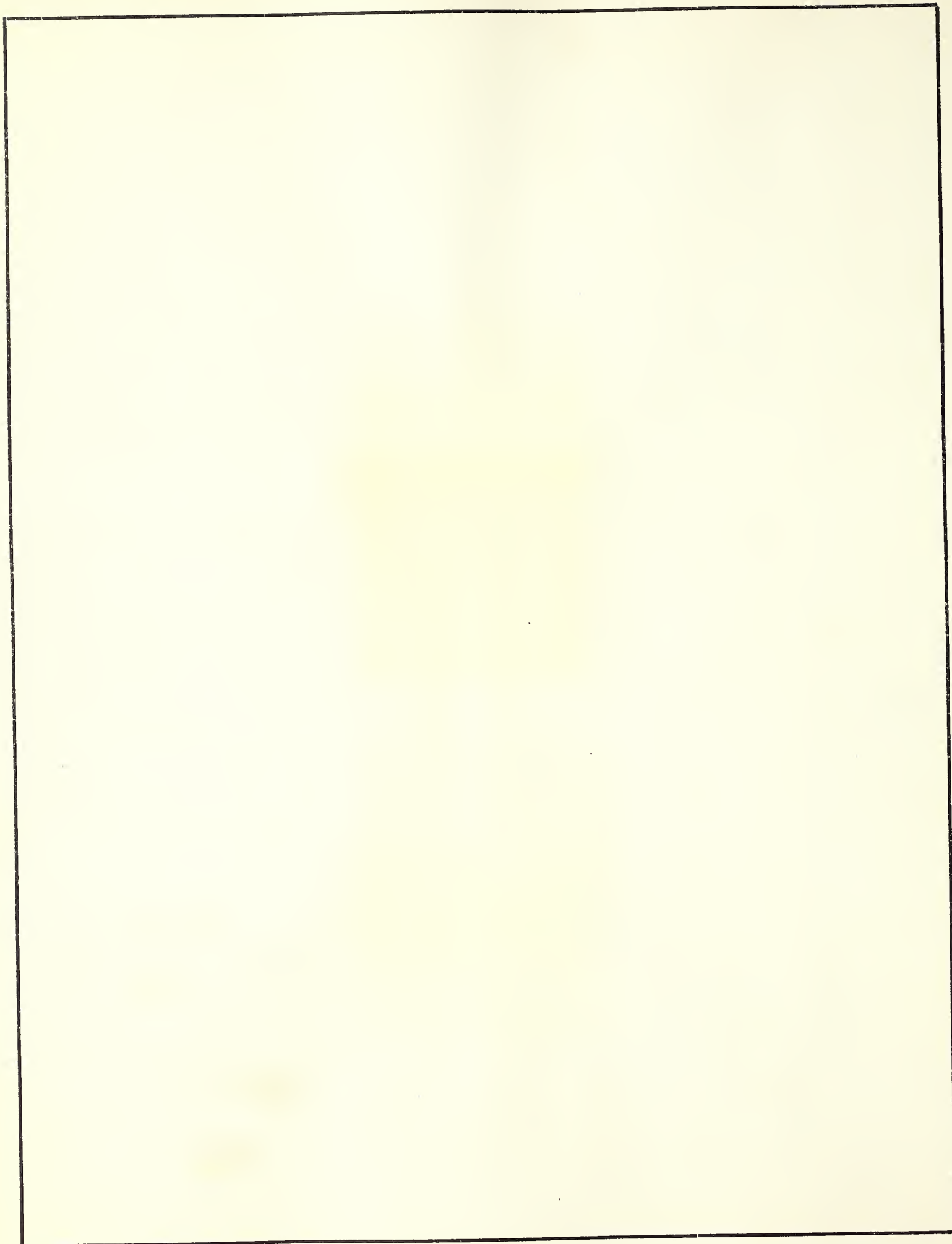
Services in memory of the late Major William Harrison Lambert will be held next Sunday afternoon in the Second Presbyterian Church, Greene and Tulpehocken streets, Germantown. Former Governor Stuart, Major Moses Veale, General Louis Wagner and the Rev. Dr. Charles H. Richards will make addresses. Major Lambert was a trustee of the church for thirteen years.

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JUNE 12 1912

Major Lambert Memorial.

In memory of Major William H. Lambert, Civil War veteran, scholar and business man, a memorial service will be held in the Second Presbyterian Church, Germantown, at 4.15 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Members of Major Lambert's family, personal friends and men prominent in business life of the city will attend.



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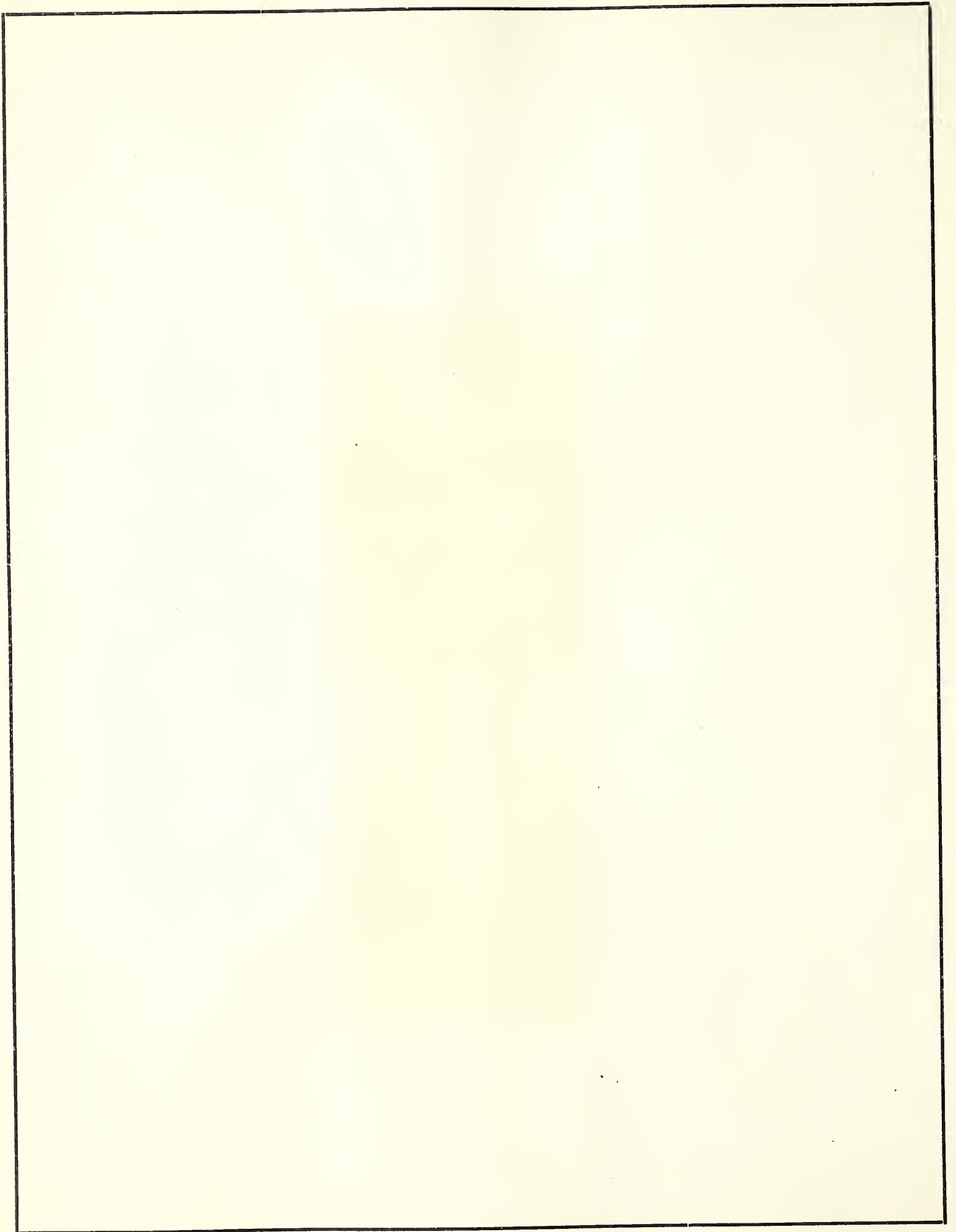
JUNE 17 1912

**MAJOR LAMBERT EULOGIZED**

**Addresses Recalling His Career  
Delivered at Exercises**

Addresses eulogistic of the late Major William H. Lambert were delivered by former Governor Edwin S. Stuart, Major Moses A. Veale, General Louis Wagner and Rev. Charles H. Richards at memorial services held yesterday afternoon at the Second Presbyterian Church of Germantown, Greene and Tulpehocker streets.

Major Lambert was a trustee of this church for years. Rev. John Harvey Lee, the pastor, was in charge of the exercises. Prayer was offered by Dr. Robert Ellis Thompson and Rev. Sidney Herbert Coxe read the Scripture.





PHILADELPHIA PA NORTH AMERICAN

JUNE 17 1912

## HONOR MAJOR LAMBERT AT MEMORIAL SERVICE

Former Governor Stuart Extols  
Christian Character of  
His Manhood

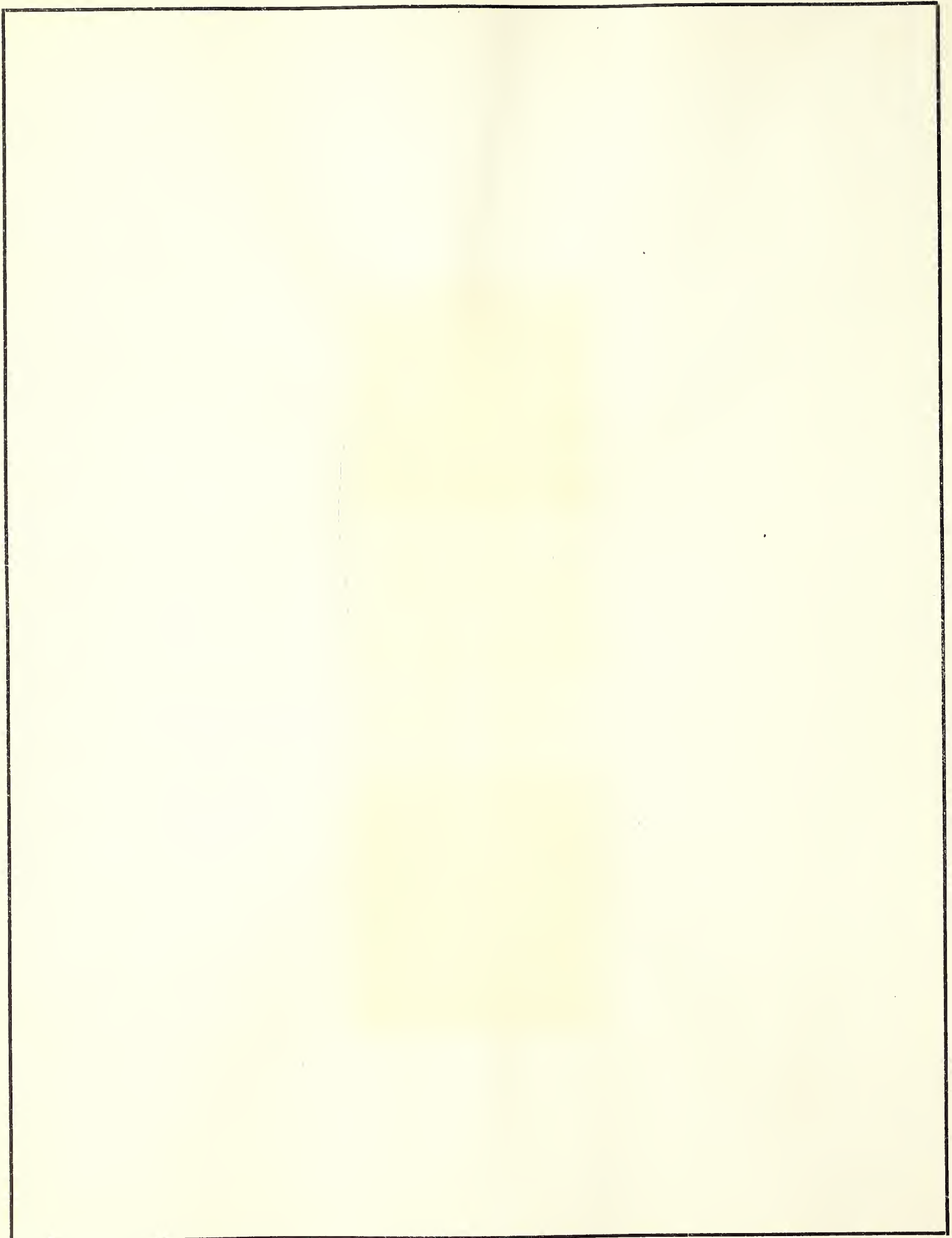
### A BUSINESS EULOGY

Impressive services to the memory of Major William Harrison Lambert, who died June 1, were held yesterday afternoon in the Second Presbyterian Church, Greene and Tulphocken streets, Germantown. The widow, son and daughter and a large number of former business associates and friends of Major Lambert were present to pay tribute to his worth and work. William T. Tilden, president of the Union League, represented that body at the services.

Former Governor Edwin S. Stuart, as one of the speakers, told of his forty-year association with Major Lambert, and described him as his ideal of a Christian gentleman. In closing he said:

"I never knew a man who represented a more sublime Christian character than Major Lambert."

General Louis Wagner, president of the Board of City Trusts, described the interest taken by Major Lambert in that body, which he served for thirteen years as chairman of the committee on minor trusts. The general said he had lost one of his best friends, but was glad that the life of Major Lambert would be held as a beacon to his remaining associates. Major Moses Veale, of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion, told many incidents in Major Lambert's military life, while the Rev. Dr. Charles H. Richards, former pastor of the Central Congregational Church, recounted his religious activities. The Rev. Dr. John Harvey Lee, pastor of the church, presided.



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JUNE 17 1912

MEMORIAL SERVICES  
FOR MAJOR LAMBERT

Memorial services for Major William H. Lambert, who died recently, were held yesterday at the Second Presbyterian Church, of Germantown, Greene and Tulpehocken Streets, of which he was a trustee for many years. Rev. John Harvey Lee, pastor of the church, presided and addresses were made by ex-Governor Stuart, Major Moses Veale, General Louis Wagner and Rev. Charles H. Richards.

Dr. Robert Ellis Thompson offered prayer and the Scripture was read by Rev. Sidney Herbert Cox.

Ex-Governor Stuart's address was a eulogy of Major Lambert's life.

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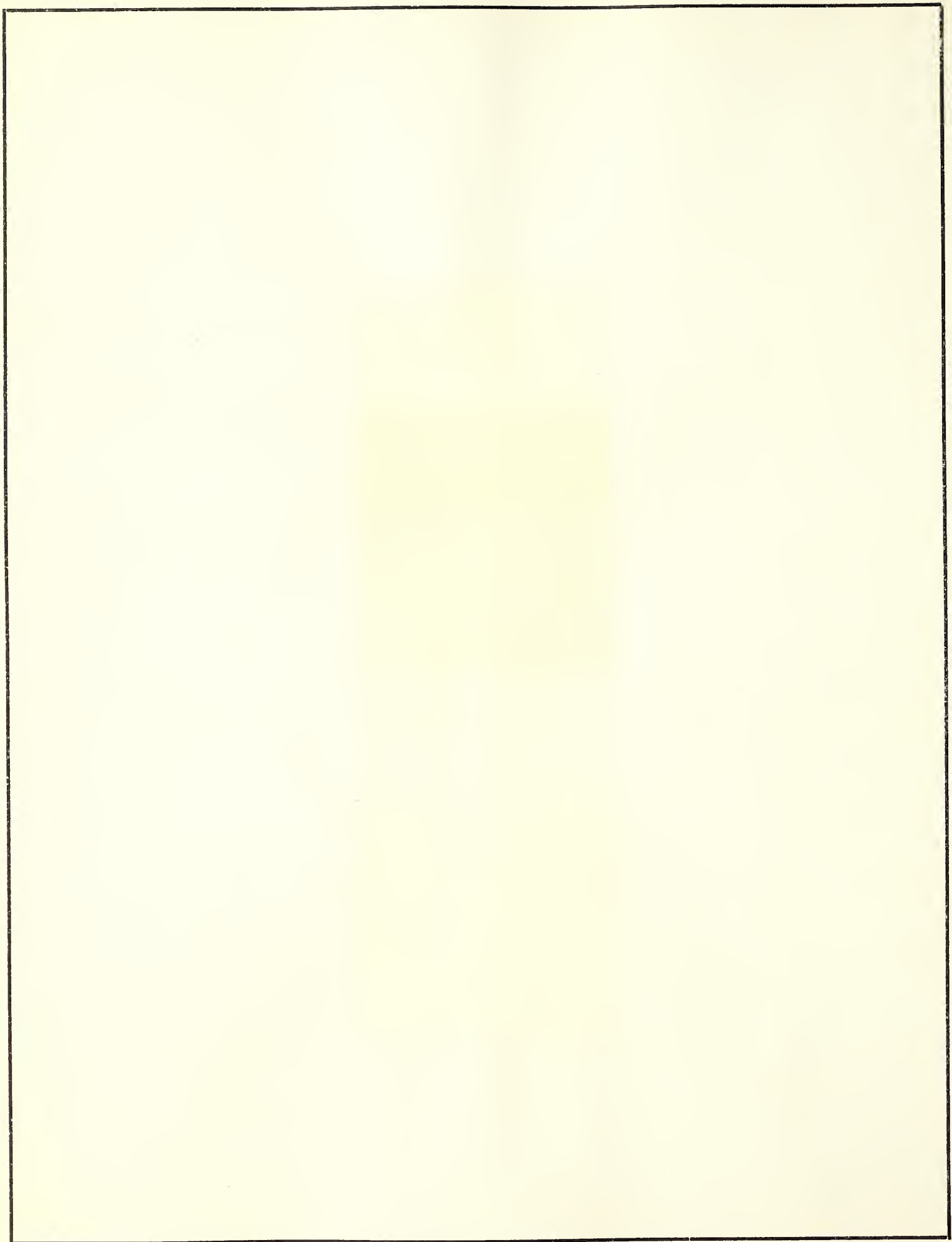
JUNE 17 1912

MEMORIAL SERVICES

Many Pay Tribute to Memory of Major W. H. Lambert.

Memorial services for the late Major William Harrison Lambert were held yesterday morning in the Second Presbyterian Church, at Greene and Tulpehocken streets, Germantown, of which he had been a trustee for a period of more than 13 years.

The Rev. John Harvey Lee, pastor of the church, presided at the services, which were largely attended. The Rev. Robert Ellis Thompson read the opening prayer, and excerpts from the Scriptures were read by the Rev. Sidney Herbert Cox. Addresses were delivered by former Governor Edwin Stuart, Major Moses Veale, General Louis Wagner and the Rev. Charles H. Richards.



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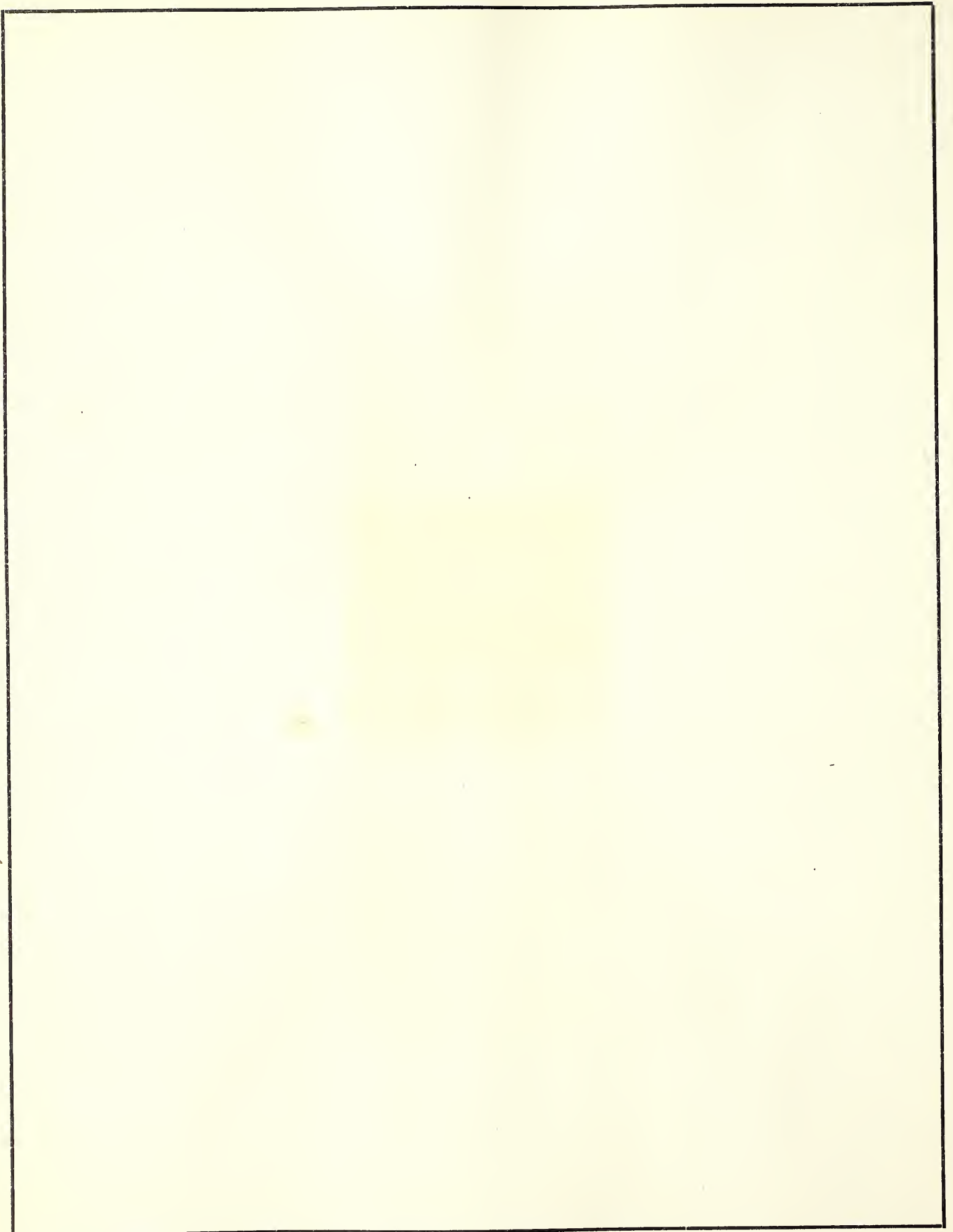
JUNE 17 1912

MEMORIAL FOR MAJ LAMBERT

Civil War Veteran is Eulogized by  
Former Associates.

A service in memory of Major William Harrison Lambert, the civil war veteran and collector of Lincolniana, who died recently at his home on West Johnson street, Germantown, was conducted yesterday afternoon in the Second Presbyterian Church, Greene and Tulpehocken streets, by the pastor, Rev. John Harvey Lee.

Addresses were delivered by ex-Governor Stuart, Major Moses Veale, General Louis Wagner and Rev. Dr. Charles H. Richards. The latter was formerly Major Lambert's pastor, at the Central Congregational Church, of this city. For 13 years Major Lambert had been a trustee of the Second Presbyterian Church.



PHILADELPHIA PA TELEGRAPH

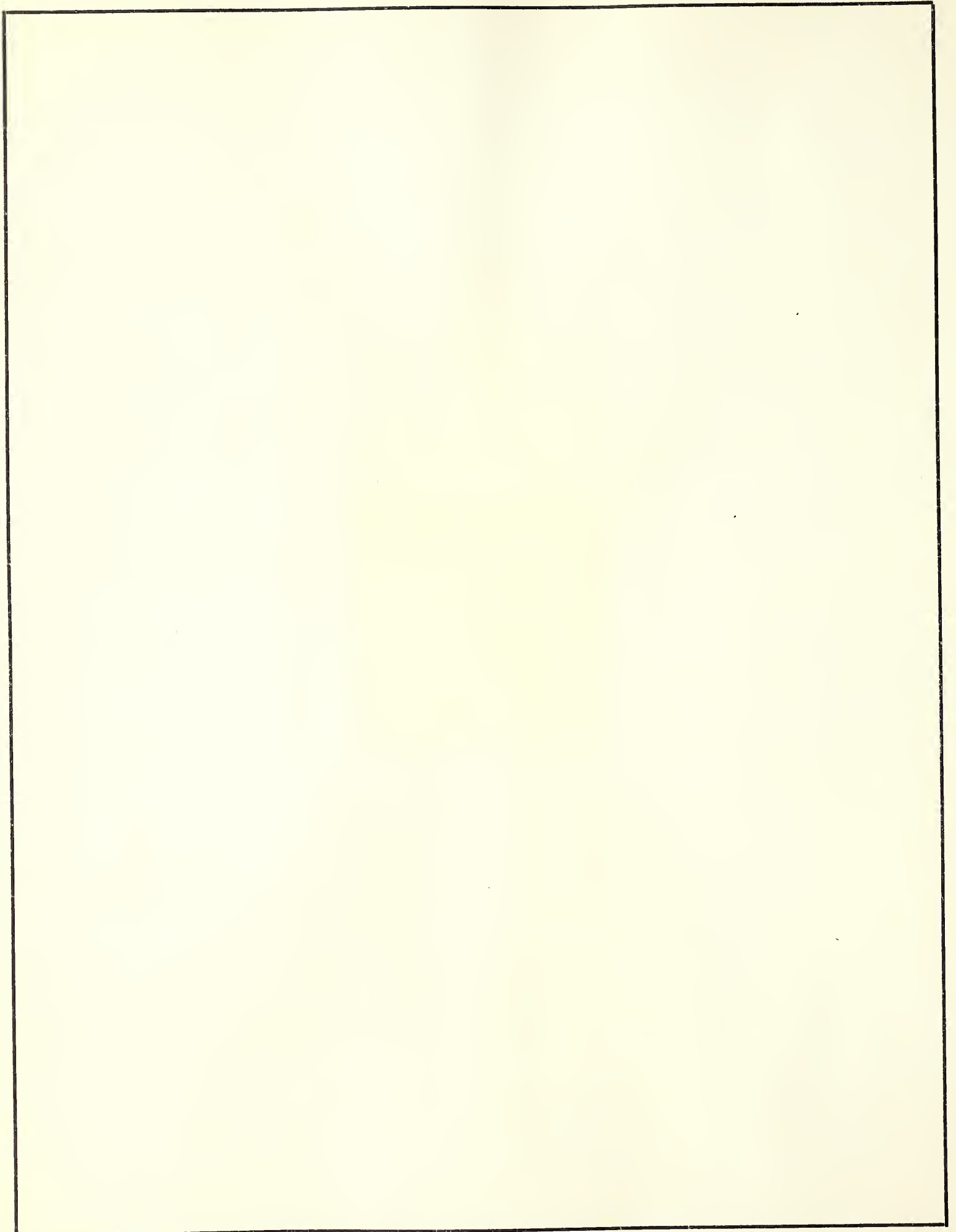
JUNE 17 1912

TRIBUTE TO MAJOR LAMBERT

Friends and Relatives Hold Special Service and Honor His Memory.

Friends, former business associates, and members of the family of Major William H. Lambert, who died at his home in Germantown recently, gathered yesterday in the Second Presbyterian Church, Greene and Tulpehocken streets, Germantown, to pay tribute to his worth and work.

Speeches were made by former Governor Edwin S. Stuart, General Louis Wagner, president of the Board of City Trusts; Major Moses A. Veale and Rev. Charles H. Richards. Rev. Dr. John Harvey Lee, pastor of the church, presided, and prayer was offered by Dr. Robert Ellis Thompson, president of the Central High School, of which Major Lambert was a graduate, and to the day of his death an ardent friend.





## PITTSBURG PA INS WORLD

JUNE 18 1912

### WILLIAM H. LAMBERT.

1842—1912

The happy ending of a well-spent life, like the golden sunset of a beautiful day, hath the splendor of the afterglow enshrined in our hearts.

Destiny, in seeking its heroes, may have favorites, but the chaplet of fame often adorns the modest brow. A wise Solomon dared to enthrone the iron-master. The rank and file are not without elements of superiority. Strong character is found in the humblest as well as the haughty.

The life-insurance solicitor, starting at the bottom round, can reach the top. His success is chiefly due to the sterling character he builds. When such a man has filled out his allotted years with a lifetime of devotion of the highest order of ability and proven integrity, he is entitled to higher praise than the briefer glory of military renown that justly crowns the soldier's valor.

The world takes account of the mighty. History is largely made up of the records and doings of its great captains of war. Mankind exalts its men of conquest. A strange fascination gathers about those who are conspicuous for daring and achievement. In all ages they have held pre-eminent recognition.

Though the vast majority of men, equally heroic, have gone through the scenes of their peaceful labors and victories unheralded, their lives became an inspiration to us to be better men, and to render more efficient service in our chosen calling.

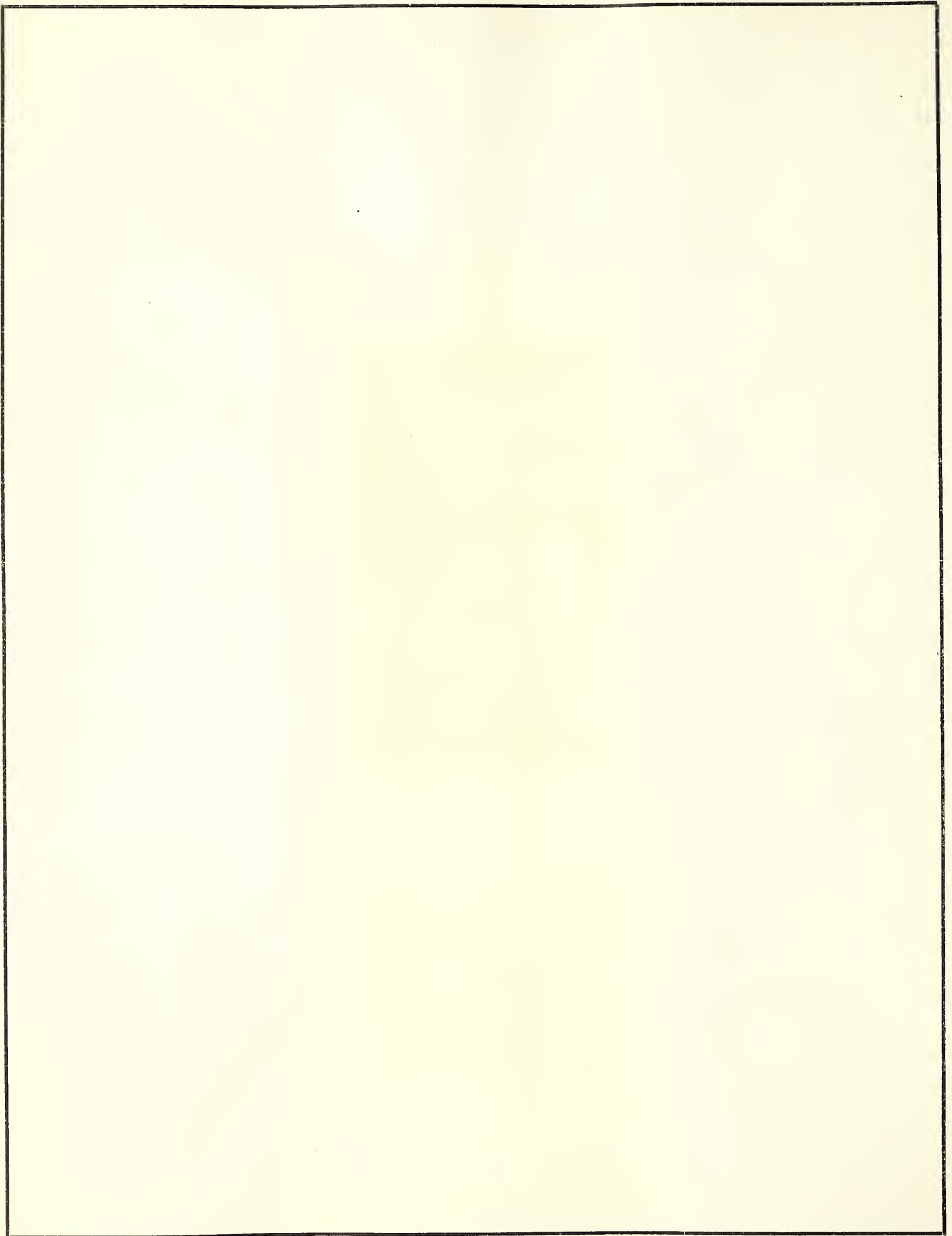
The great institution which Major Lambert served so long and so faithfully, honored itself in electing him one of its trustees, at the close of his business career. The expert knowledge of experienced men in their specialty is found to be indispensable.

While you shall miss his cheery smile, we rejoice that it was our privilege to mingle for so many years in the good fellowship that leavened the lives of his associates.

As the warriors of old laid stones upon the grave of a departed chief, so the PHILADELPHIA ASSOCIATION OF LIFE UNDERWRITERS brings this tribute of love to the memory of one whose life was a lesson of beneficence, of utility and of good work accomplished, rounded out and completed in full measure as the Master wished.

"So be our passing!  
Our tasks accomplished and the long day  
done,  
Our wages taken, and in our hearts  
Some late lark singing,  
May we be gathered to the quiet West,  
The sundown splendid and serene,  
Death."

In behalf of the Association,  
I. LAYTON REGISTER, *Chairman.*



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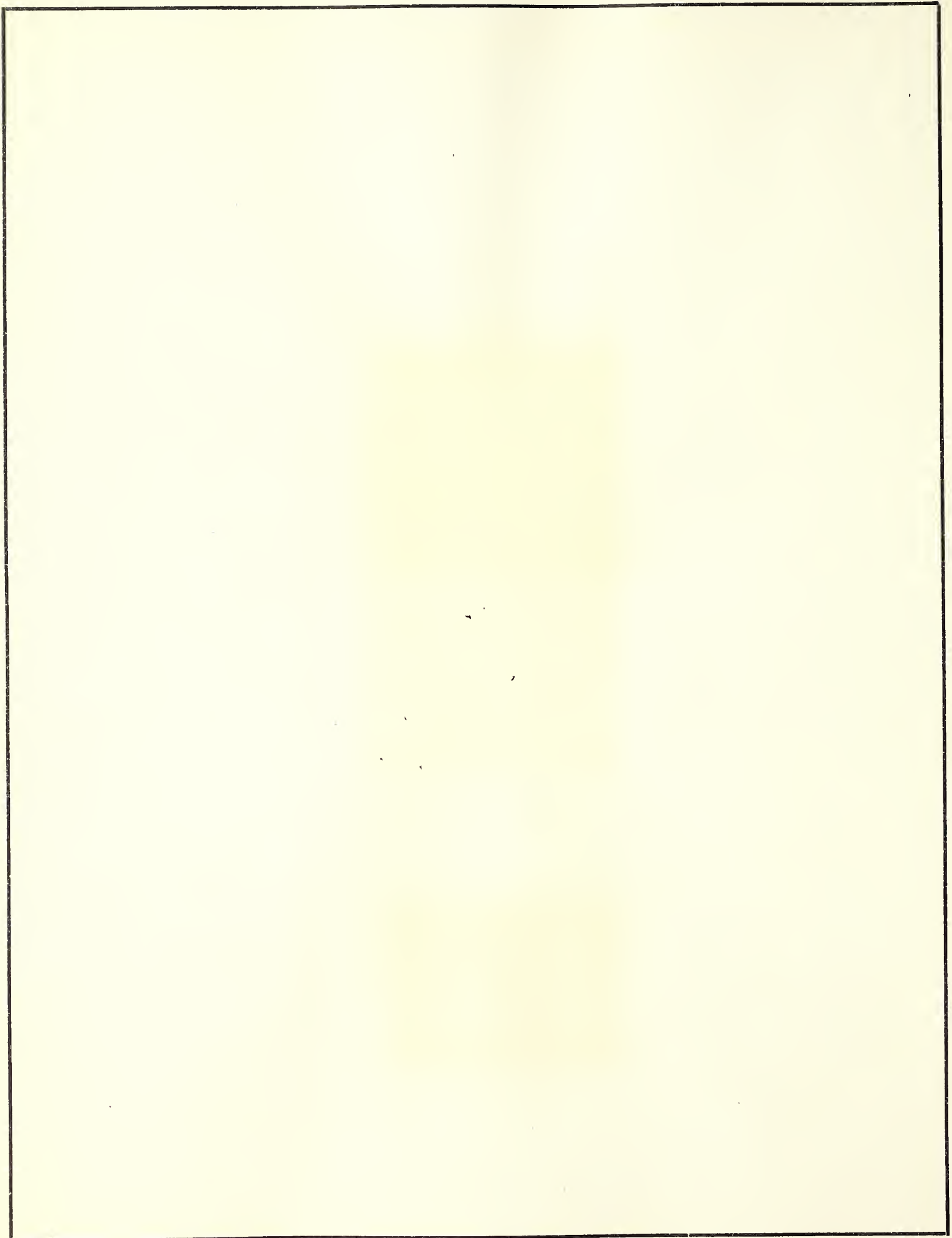
JUNE 1 1912

**WM. H. LAMBERT DEAD;  
WAS NATIVE OF READING**

Philadelphia, June 1 (Special).—The death of Major William H. Lambert, who was prominent in the business and social circles of Philadelphia for 50 years, occurred this morning at his home in Germantown.

Major Lambert was born in Reading, May 9, 1842, his parents being James V. Lambert and Susanna Kenn Lambert.

He came to Philadelphia when a boy and following his graduation as valedictorian of his class in the Central High School, he began the study of law, but when the war started he enlisted as a private in Anderson's 15th Pennsylvania Cavalry. At the end of the war he was mustered out as a Major and received a Congressional medal for gallantry. He then became connected with the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, with which he had been identified for the greater part of the 46 years since then. Major Lambert was a member of the Union League, the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, the Pennsylvania Commandery of the Military Order of The Loyal Legion and Post No. 2, G. A. R.



READING PA TELEGRAM

JUNE 5 1912

**FUNERAL OF MAJOR LAMBERT.**

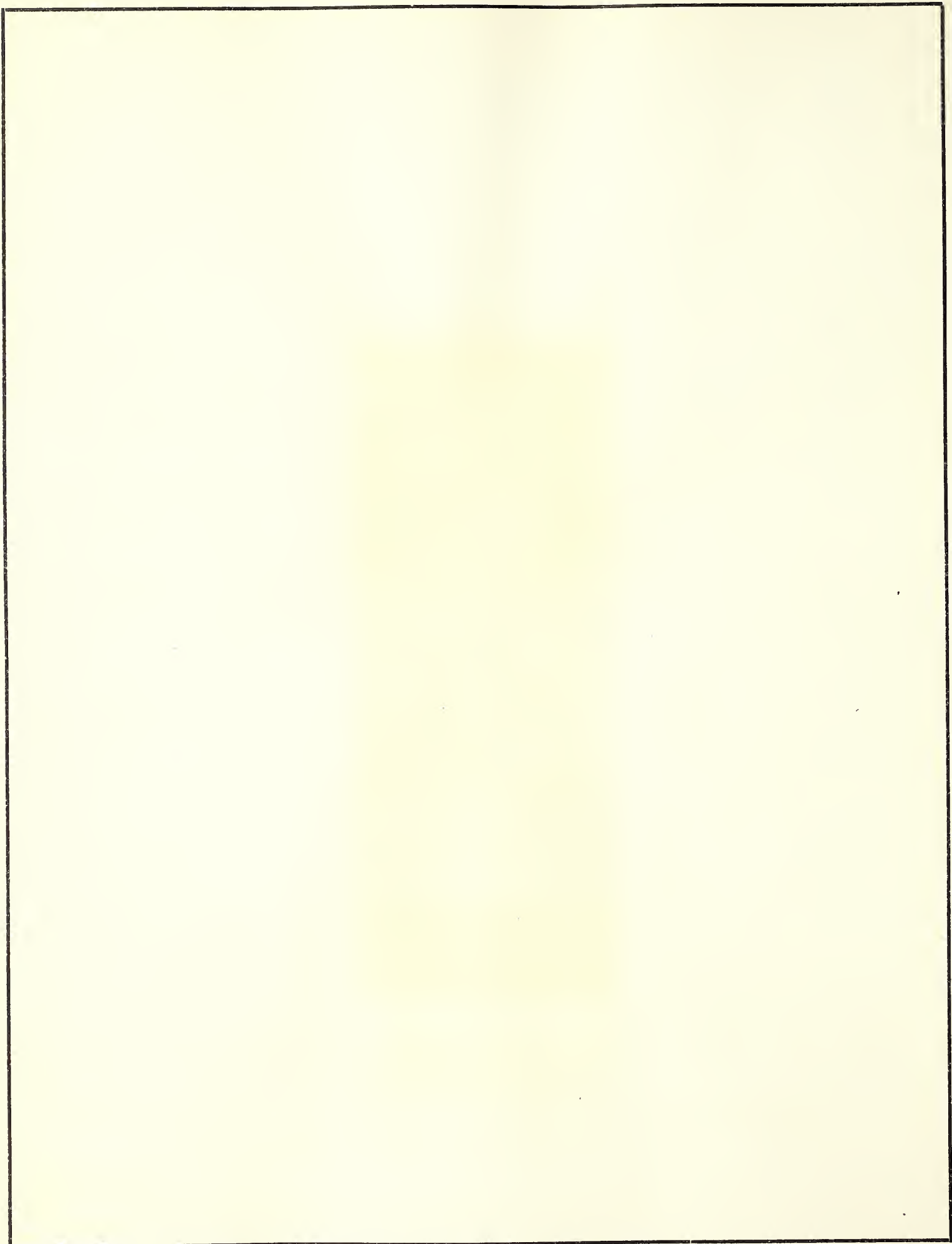
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NEW YORK CITY AMERICAN

JUNE 2 1912

**Major William H. Lambert.**

Major William H. Lambert, largest insurance representative in the United States outside of New York City, died yesterday in Philadelphia, aged 70. Besides being prominent in the social and business life of Philadelphia and New York, Major Lambert was the owner of one of the finest collections of Lincoln relics in the country and the finest collection of Thackeray relics in the world. He served throughout the Civil War with distinction. He is survived by a widow, a son and three married



## NEW YORK CITY SUN

JUNE 2 1912

### MAJOR WILLIAM H. LAMBERT.

#### Owner of Valuable Lincoln and Thackeray Collections.

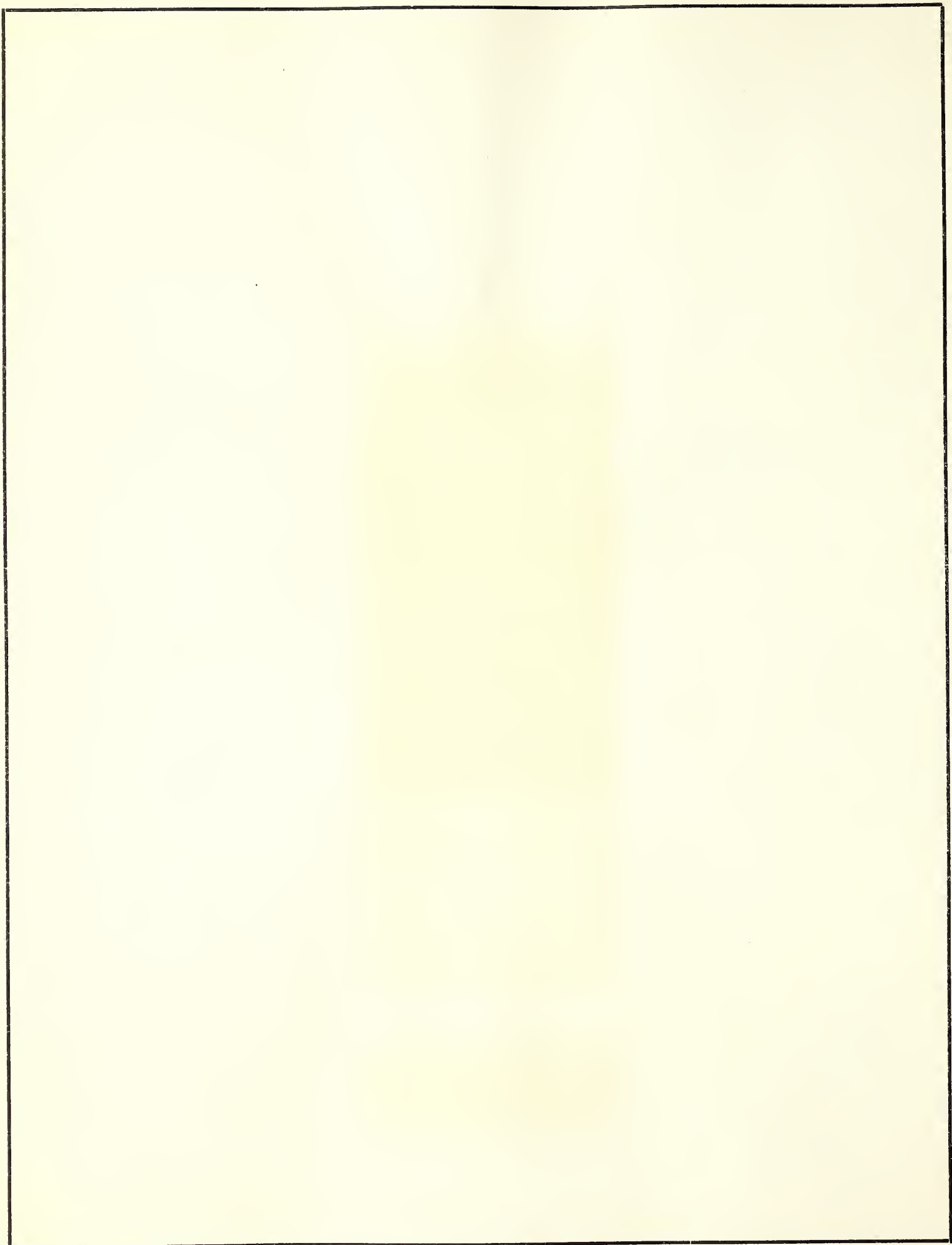
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Beside being prominent in the social and business life of Philadelphia and New York Major Lambert is credited with having been the owner of the finest collection of Lincoln relics in the country. He had been collecting them for fifty years and no price was too high for him to pay. He also owned the finest collection of Thackeray relics in the world. A conservative estimate places its value at \$250,000.

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It was in the following year that Major Lambert entered the employment of the Mutual Life Insurance Company. He became a partner in the local agency in 1872 and general agent in 1887. He was made manager in 1901 and in 1907 became one of the trustees of the company. At that time Major Lambert incorporated himself and lived on the commission on the renewals of his office, which amounted to something more than \$80,000 annually.

Major Lambert is survived by his wife, whom he married on October 15, 1874, and who prior to the marriage was Miss Herminia Van Haagen of this city. He also left one son, George Thomas Lambert, and three married daughters.





NEW YORK CITY TELEGRAPH

JUNE 2 1912

**MAJ. WM. H. LAMBERT  
DIES IN PHILADELPHIA**

Prominent in Insurance Circles and  
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(Special Dispatch to The Morning Telegraph.)

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NEW YORK CITY TRIBUNE

JUNE 2 1912

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NEW YORK CITY WORLD

JUNE 2 1912

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**Deceased Had Rare and Valuable  
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(Special to The World.)

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NEW YORK CITY COMMERCIAL

JUNE 3 1912

OLD MUTUAL LIFE MEN DIE

Major W. H. Lambert of Philadelphia,  
With Company Since 1866.

Philadelphia, June 2.—Major William H. Lambert, one of the representative life insurance agents of the United States and connected with the Mutual Life Insurance Co for 46 years, died at his home in Germantown yesterday from pneumonia after an illness of one week.

Major Lambert was born in Reading, Pa., May 9, 1842. He came to Philadelphia with his parents as a boy, and gave up the study of law on Aug 22, 1862, when he enlisted as a private in the 15th Pennsylvania Cavalry. One year later he was made first lieutenant and adjutant of the 27th New Jersey Volunteers and was promoted to captain in 1864. He was mustered out in 1865 with brevet of major.

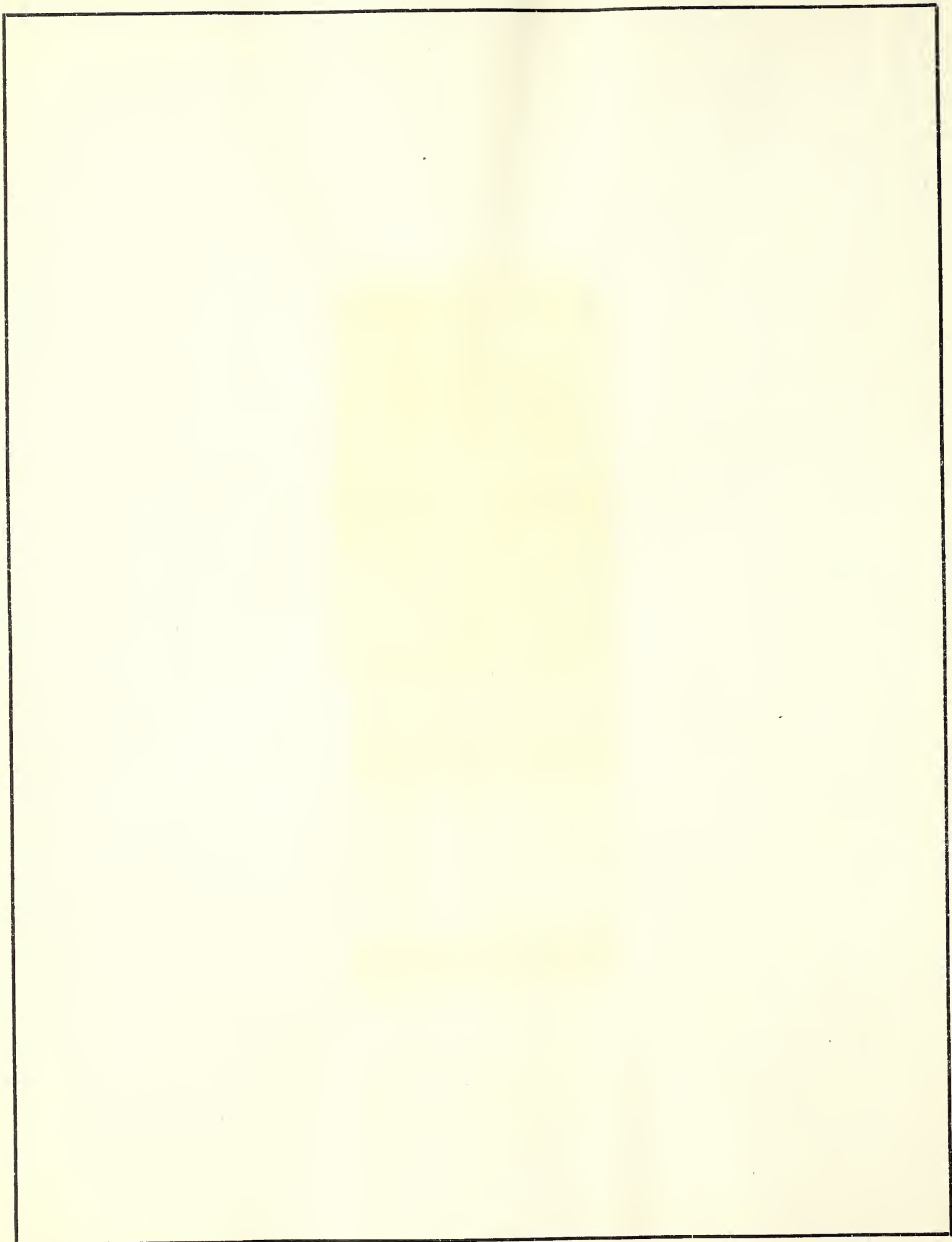
He became an agent of the Mutual in 1866, was made a partner in the agency in 1872 and general agent in 1887. He was made manager in 1901 and in 1907 became one of the trustees.

At the same time Major Lambert practically retired from active business. He incorporated himself and lived on the renewal commissions from his office which are estimated to amount to something over \$80,000 annually. He leaves a widow, one son, George Thomas Lambert, and three married daughters.

NEW YORK JOURNAL OF COMMERCE

JUNE 3 1912

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NEW YORK CITY POST

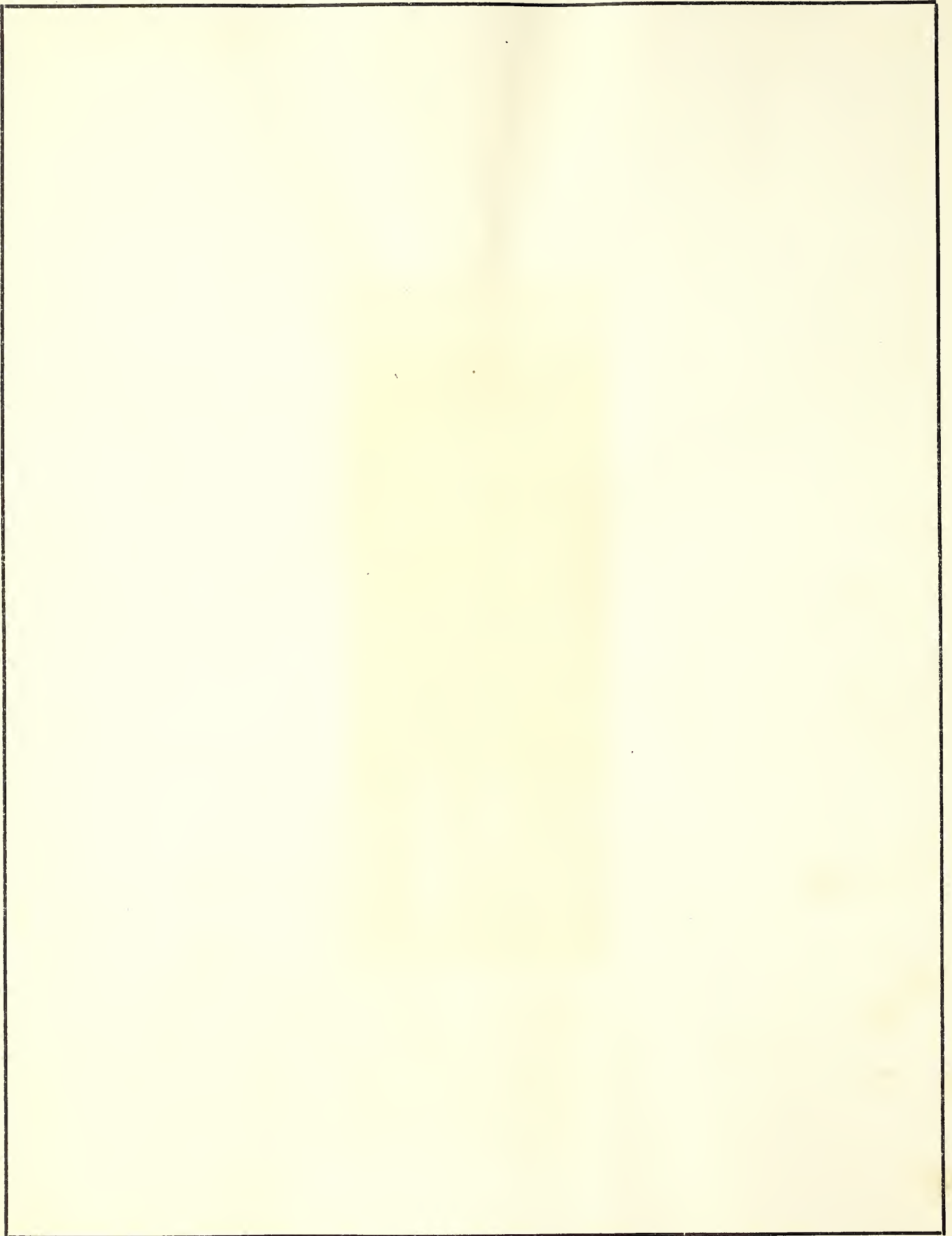
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After the war he entered the employ of the Mutual Life Insurance Company, and in 1907 became one of the trustees of the company. At that time Major Lambert incorporated himself and lived on the commission on the renewals of his office, which amounted to something more than \$80,000 annually. He is survived by his wife, one son, George Thomas Lambert, and three married daughters.





NEW YORK CITY PRESS

JUNE 3 1912

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**Big Collector of Lincoln and Thackeray Relics Is Dead.**

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Major Lambert was born in Reading, Pa., May 9, 1842. When a boy he was brought by his parents to Philadelphia. He studied law, but gave this up on August 22, 1862, when he enlisted as a private in Anderson's Fifteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry. He was mustered out of that command one year later in order that he might become lieutenant and adjutant of the Twenty-seventh New Jersey Volunteers. In 1864 he was promoted to the rank of captain. He afterward went into life insurance and worked up a business the net results of which were \$80,000 annually. He is survived by his widow, whom he married October 15, 1874, and who, prior to the marriage, was Hermina Van Haagen of this city; by one son, George Thomas Lambert, and by three married daughters.





—Photo by Gutekunst.

**MAJOR WILLIAM H. LAMBERT**

War veteran, insurance man and historian, who died at his home, No. 330 West Johnson street Germantown, today. Major Lambert was vice-president of the Board of City Trusts, and was an authority on Lincolniana, of which he had a noted collection.

**MAJ. W. H. LAMBERT  
DIES OF PNEUMONIA  
AT HIS HOME TODAY**

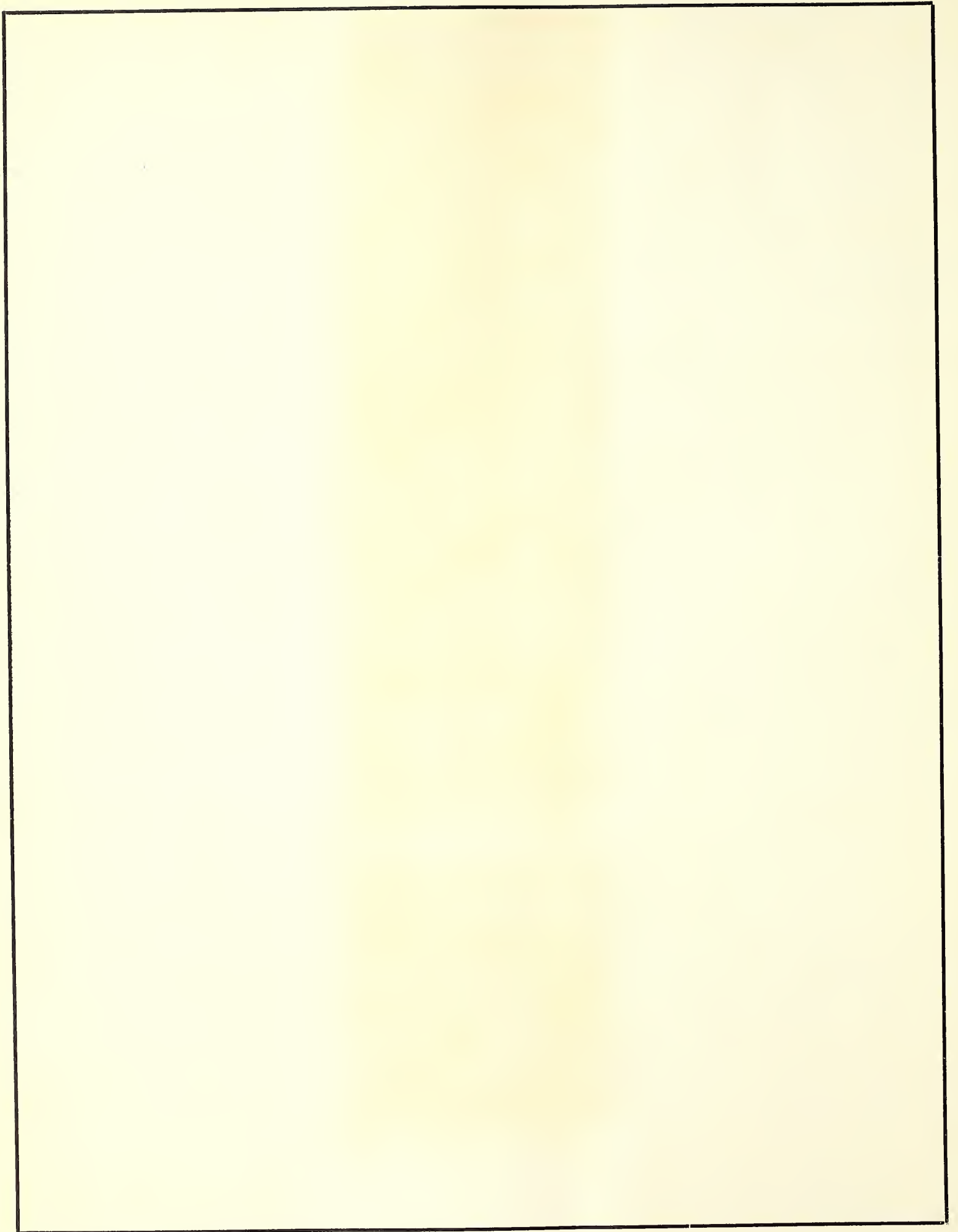
**Business Man, Scholar and Civil  
War Veteran Succumbs in  
Germantown.**

**SAW MANY ENGAGEMENTS**

**His Collection of Lincolniana  
Widely Known—Was in  
Insurance.**

After an illness of several weeks Major William H. Lambert, a widely known retired insurance man, veteran of the Civil War and member of the Union League, died at 8 o'clock this morning at his residence, No. 330 West Johnson street, Germantown. His death was due to pneumonia.

Major Lambert's illness had created uneasiness among his many friends and former business associates for several days past. His illness was not supposed to be serious until early in the week, when alarming reports came from his physicians. He rallied on Memorial Day, and his recovery was looked for, but yesterday he was reported as sinking rapidly. He continued to decline throughout last night until the end came this morning. He had just passed his 70th birthday, and despite a naturally rugged constitution, his age was against him in his struggle with pneumonia.



Major William H. Lambert achieved success in three widely divergent fields, as a soldier, a business man and scholar. During the Civil War he rose from the ranks as private through several commissioned ranks, finally attaining the golden oak leaves of a major. When he entered the insurance field after the close of the war, his strong personality again made him successful. He was promoted through various agency grades and in 1907 was made a trustee of the Mutual Life Insurance Company.

Most of Major Lambert's spare moments were spent in furthering his knowledge of literature. He was an eager collector of Lincolniana and possessed, perhaps, the finest collection in this city of mementos of the martyr President. His Thackeray collection was also extremely valuable, but the lost the greater part of this in a fire that occurred in his home several years ago.

Major William Harrison Lambert was born May 9, 1842, in Reading Pa. He graduated from the Central High School, this city, when 17 years old. He intended to study law, but when the long smoldering sentiment of the South burst out into Civil War he enlisted in a Pennsylvania regiment of volunteer cavalry. The ink was scarcely dry on his enlistment papers as private when he was made first lieutenant of a New Jersey volunteer regiment. Other promotions came in time and when he was mustered out of service in 1865 it was as major. He was also awarded the medal of honor, the American equivalent of the British Victoria cross.

He entered the insurance business the next year and six years later was admitted to a partnership in management of the Mutual Life Insurance Company.

Major Lambert, from 1892 to 1899, was president of the State department of charities and correction, having been appointed to that post by former Governor Stuart, then Mayor of Philadelphia. Major Lambert was also a member of the board of directors of city trusts. Since May, 1910, he was vice-president of the board.

Major Lambert was widely known as a lecturer on Civil War topics, and made valuable contributions to the historical literature of that period. He was the author of "Lincoln Literature," the "Faith of Abraham Lincoln," and other published addresses.

In 1874, shortly after becoming general agent of the Mutual Life Insurance Company, Major Lambert married Herminia Van Haagen, of Philadelphia. His spacious home was on West Johnson streets, Germantown. He was a member of many clubs. He had long been a director of the Union League and a member of the council of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania. He was a member of the Art Club, Penn Club, United Service Club, Germantown Cricket Club, the Grand Army of the Republic, and the Military Order of the Loyal Legion.

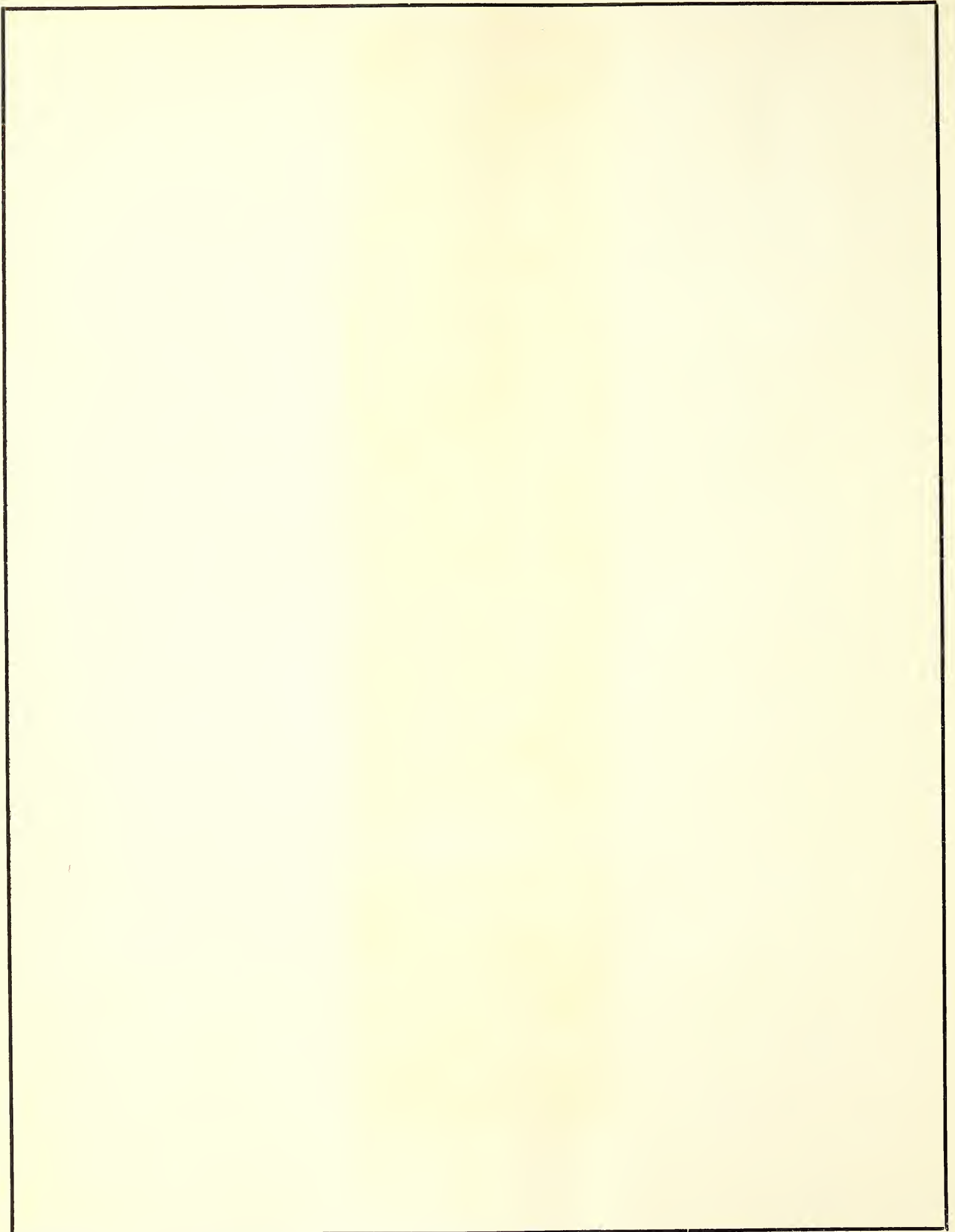
#### Tribute to the Late Major Lambert by Board of City Trusts.

Ex-Governor Edwin S. Stuart was elected vice president of the board to succeed the late Major William H. Lambert and the following minute on the death of Major Lambert was adopted:

In the death of Vice President William Harrison Lambert the Board of Directors of City Trusts and the entire community have met with an irreparable loss.

The long and efficient service he gave here, his fine character and lovable companionship so won our hearts that the usual formal resolutions of respect seem totally inadequate to express our sorrow.

As citizen, patriot, scholar and administrator his faithful deeds are an inspiration, and his memory a benediction to all who were fortunate enough to have been associated with him.



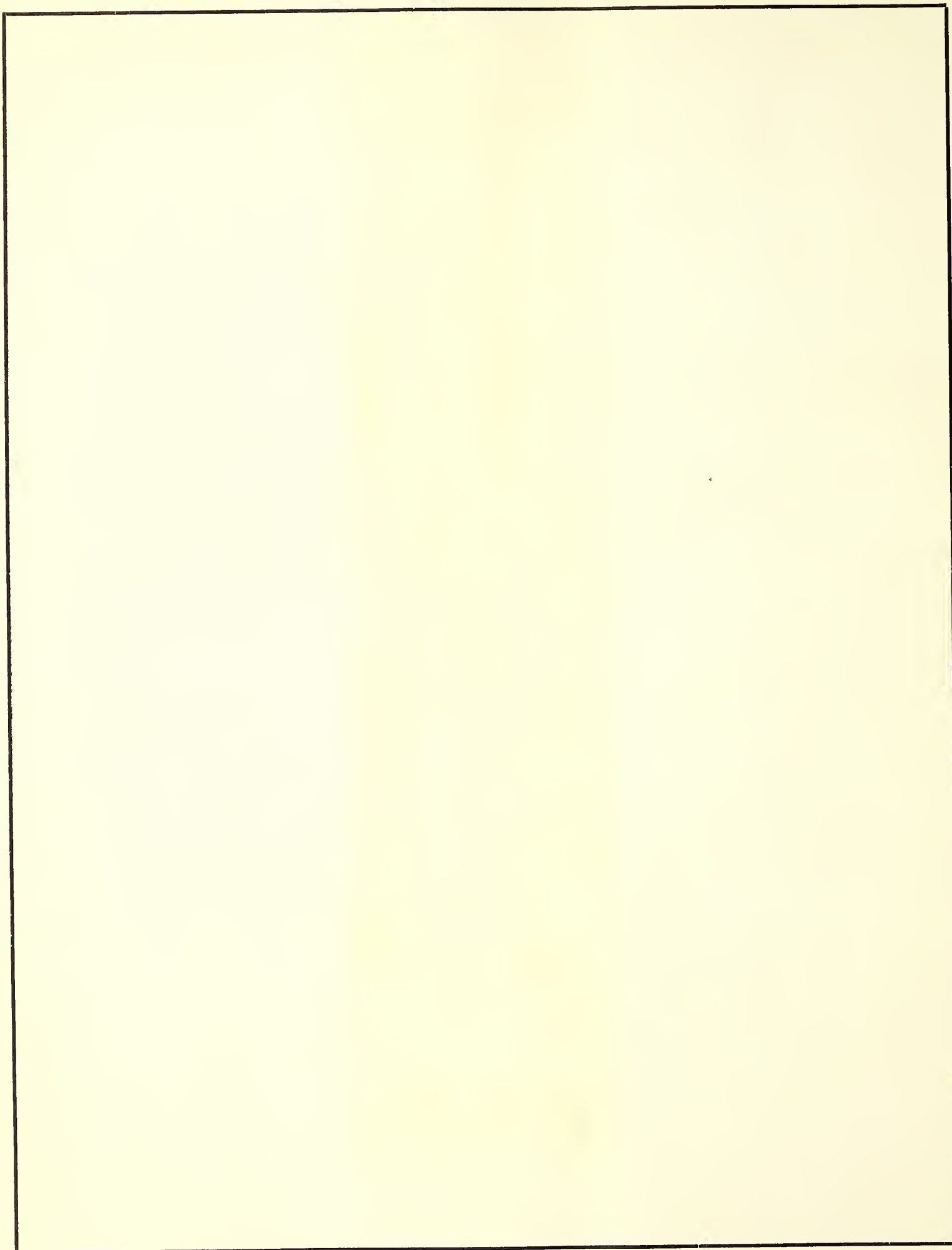
## DEATH OF MAJOR LAMBERT

**Widely-Known Insurance Man and Civil War Veteran Passed Away at His Germantown Home on Saturday, June 1st, After an Illness of Three Weeks—Major Lambert Was a Man of Scholarly Attainments, a Student of History and Lecturer on Historical Subjects and a Collector of Mementoes and Souvenirs of Men of Genius—Was Nearly Half a Century With the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, Rising From Agent to Trustee—His Death Occasions Profound Sorrow and Regret in Those Walks of Life in Which He Was so Widely Known and so Highly Esteemed.**

The announcement of the death on Saturday, June 1st, of Major William H. Lambert, widely known in business, social and literary circles, at his late home, 330 West Johnson street, Germantown, came as a profound shock to hundreds of persons in Philadelphia and elsewhere who admired him for his sterling qualities and were proud to call him friend. He was not only a business man of great energy and enterprise, but was also widely and favorably known as a private citizen who contributed of his best efforts and influence towards the advancement of the best interests of the community at large. He always placed great stress upon the guidance of a clean conscience and his influence for good was felt in whatever direction his duties and activities carried him.

While Major Lambert had reached the three score years and ten allotted to man, he was, up to the beginning of the illness which caused his death, strong and active in body and keen and alert in mind. A cold contracted about three weeks ago developed into pneumonia. At his side when he passed away were his wife and three daughters and his only son, Mr. George T. Lambert.

A native of Reading where he was born May 9, 1842, Major Lambert came with his parents to this city when a child and was educated in the public schools of Philadelphia, graduating from the Central High School in 1859. He began the study of law but when the Civil War broke out, being fired with the spirit of patriotism that swept the country, he enlisted with thousands of other youths in 1862 as a private and was assigned to the Fifteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry. He was soon after commissioned a lieutenant and assigned to the Twenty-seventh New Jersey. From this time to the end of the war when he was mustered out he saw active service. His regiment was first sent into the Virginia campaign. Then he was transferred to the Thirty-third New Jersey and sent into the army of the West. In these years of heavy fighting he was engaged in many battles and was commended on many occasions for personal gallantry and daring in the face of danger. Although in many hot fights he was fortunately never wounded. In 1864 he was promoted to Captain and attached to the staff of General Wilcox. In 1865 he was promoted to Major and shortly after this was mustered out, after the grand review at Washington at the close of the war. In later years when Congress began to remember and reward the heroes of the war Major Lambert was awarded a medal of honor for special gallantry on the field of battle.





The war closed, Major Lambert returned to the study of law but soon abandoned it for the more active life of an insurance agent. Having an opportunity to connect himself with the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, he entered the service of that company and this connection continued in different positions until the time of his death, a period of 46 years. In that time he rose from agent to the post of trustee and saw the company grow

to be one of the strongest and most powerful in the United States.

In 1892 Major Lambert was appointed by Mayor Stuart President of the Department of Corrections and Charities. This was before the creation of the Department of Health and Charities. In 1894 he was made director of the Board of City Trusts, which position he held until his death. These were the only public positions he ever held.

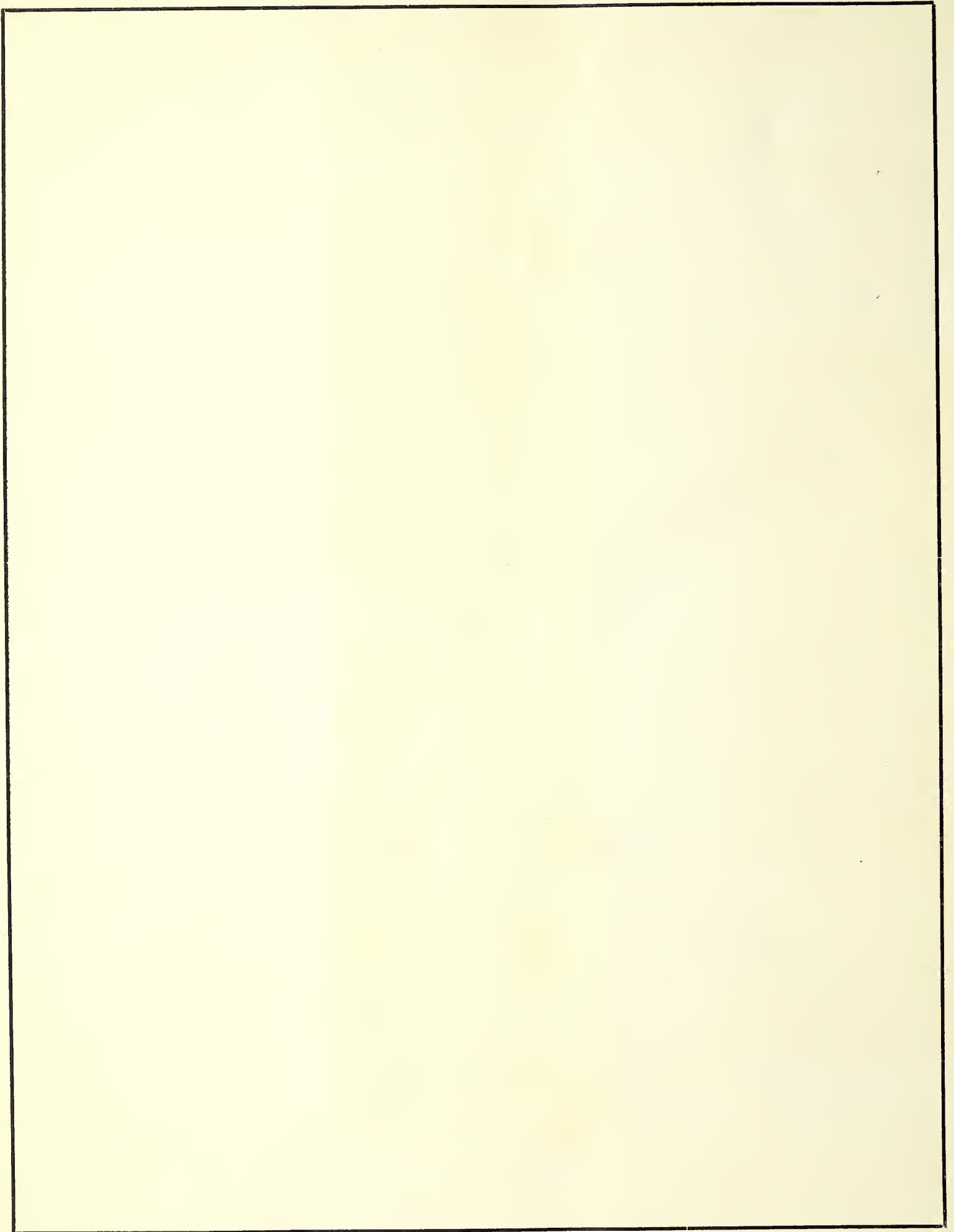
Major Lambert was a man of strong and active mentality with a decided taste for literary pursuits. His relaxation from the cares of business was found in reading, study, writing and the collection of mementoes and souvenirs of celebrated literary and public men. He was a lover of history and prepared and delivered many charming lectures on historical subjects. Among public men he was a great admirer and student of the life and character of Lincoln and among literary men his favorite was Thackeray. His collection of Lincolniana is one of the finest in this country and his collection of mementoes of Thackeray, consisting of specially bound volumes, autograph editions, letters and other souvenirs of the great author is considered very valuable.

In his home life Major Lambert was ideal. His family was cemented by a happy union of heart and intellect into a harmonious unit representing the best feature of American life of the present day. He maintained discipline by the silken cords of love rather than by physical force. As he was forceful and aggressive in business, so he was charming and popular in society and lovely and loveable in his home. A dominant note of his character was geniality and optimism. There was no resisting the exhilaration of his spirit. Gifted with a genius for friendship he quickly attracted the trustful sympathy and the admiring affection of all who came within the sphere of his kindly influence. His heart was big with love for humanity and he was a regular contributor to many worthy charities. Scores of needy poor will sorely miss the bounteous benefactions that came from his generous hand.

His work in the great insurance company of which he took so important a part will be taken up by others and there will of course be no interruption in the regular lines of business activity. His familiar figure will be missed and his ready and wise counsel it will be hard to replace.

Major Lambert was a member of the Union League, the Art Club, the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, the United Service Club, the G. A. R. and the Military Order of the Loyal Legion. He is survived by a widow and three daughters, Mrs. John C. McCall, Miss Helen and Miss Edith Lambert, and one son, Mr. George T. Lambert, who is in business in New Mexico. The funeral took place from his late residence, 330 West Johnson street, Germantown, on Tuesday morning, June 4th. The Rev. John H. Lee, pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church, of Germantown, officiating.

The honorary pallbearers were former Governor Stuart, John T. Nicholson, William Potter, John Story Jenks, General Louis Wagner, John D. McIlhenny, Richard Dale Sparhawk and Samuel Y. Heebner.



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## \$250,000 FOR BOOKS AT AUCTION

Philadelphians were the foremost purchasers at the auction sales of books, manuscripts and autograph letters in New York in the past two weeks. The aggregate receipts from these sales in the restricted period of a fortnight are computed at almost \$250,000. None of the sales was due to the dispersal of any famous library or collection. Large prices were realized for certain bibliographical rarities; but there was no "sensational" incident.

The purchases represented the American booklover rather than the specialist who pursues a single hobby. In Philadelphia we have collectors who are specialists, and others who buy books that are worthy and desirable, whatever may be their character and authorship. Again and again it has been demonstrated that books chosen with knowledge and understanding are a safe investment. Not all books will hold their value, but experience has proved that the average of any discreetly chosen collection will probably show a satisfactory financial return.

Among Philadelphia collectors none was shrewder than the late Major WILLIAM H. LAMBERT. He specialized in Thackerayana and Lincolniana. When his collections were dispersed in the auction-room, about seven years ago, they were found to contain treasures the existence of which had not even been suspected. Among these were over thirty letters of THACKERAY to Mrs. BROOKFIELD, which cast a new light on the man. They will need to be taken into account by the biographer of the great Victorian novelist when his life comes at last to be written in a worthy manner. The sale of Major LAMBERT'S library and collections realized over \$400,000.

The booklovers of Philadelphia included none who was better esteemed in America and Europe than HARRY E. WIDENER, who perished on the Titanic. He was a young MAECENAS among collectors. He went to his death in the shuddersome catastrophe carrying on his person the rare first edition of BACON'S "Essays," because he valued this newly purchased bibliographical treasure too highly to trust it out of his immediate possession. All who knew the young man agree in saying that his knowledge of those books and editions which are within reach of only the very wealthy was marvelous for one of his age. Booklovers in Philadelphia can but regret that his collection went to Harvard, where his mother erected a handsome library as a worthy memorial to her son.

Among the Philadelphians who pursue their avocation as bibliophiles with zest, few come before the public, because they are seldom gifted with the literary felicity of A. EDWARD NEWTON. He has lately provided a permanent home for his collections by remodelling two old houses on Chancellor street. The sort of rarities there to be preserved are set forth in Mr. NEWTON'S new volume, "Amenities of Book Collecting." This gentleman is gifted with the ability to write

first editions of the poet's works. Every book relating to him and first edition of the books by BYRON'S friends were also in Mr. BOYLE'S library. Yet the prices realized in the auction-room were disheartening. The reason lay not so much in the passing of interest in BYRON as in the fact that the many duplicates all offered at the same time glutted the market and cheapened the prices.

